

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M.**

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[Before meeting chatter]

**CALL TO ORDER**

[Gavel]

**CHAIR PARDO:** Welcome everyone to the City of Riviera Beach. Tonight we have a City Council meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

**CHAIR PARDO:** Madam Clerk, roll call please.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor Thomas Masters? Chairperson Dawn Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pro Tem Terence Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Here?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Bruce Guyton? Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Deputy City Manager Danny Jones?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Pamala Ryan?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Present.

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CHAIR PARDO:** I'd like to invite everyone to stand for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge.

[Moment of silence]

**CHAIR PARDO:** I pledge allegiance...

**ALL:** ...to the Flag, of the United States of America and to the Republic, for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

**AGENDA Approval: Additions, Deletions, Substitutions**

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Mr. Jones, do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions to the Agenda?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, ma'am. Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We have some additions. Under Consent, Item 9A, the surtax, one cent sales tax supporting the initiative.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** And, under Regular, Item 9B, F.I.N.D. grant application submittal. And, under Community Benefits, Item 12A for Youth Empowerment. Item 12B for Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson. Item C, Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson and Item 12D Suncoast High School, Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I have a qu'..., Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What did he say 9B was?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** 9B? There's a Resolution supporting the submittal of a F.I.N.D. grant, Florida Inland Navigational...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...grant.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DISCLOSURES BY COUNCIL**

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Do we have any disclosures by Council or by Staff?

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

[Pause]

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Do we have a motion to adopt the Agenda?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Can we reorder the Agenda to allow the Community Benefits recipients to be in and out?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yeah. If you'd like to. There's really no reason for them to, you know, to be here unless they wanna speak about it. Community Benefits usually just goes through.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I, I understand. As a new Councilperson I thought...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Sure.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...I thought that it was important for those that requested funds from District 3 to be present and to be able to just share a brief bit of information about their projects.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. If it is okay with the Council, we can put them..., well, we don't have awards and presentations so we can fill that slot? So we can get done with the business. Are you good with that?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Everyone else?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** It's okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So, we'll put Community Benefits after the Consent Agenda. Alright. So, do we have a motion to accept Consent?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Not Consent.

**CHAIR PARDO:** I'm sorry.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Agenda.

**CHAIR PARDO:** The Agenda. The Agenda.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.**

**CHAIR PARDO:** Do we have a motion...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...to accept Consent? Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I wanna pull No. 3, 5, 9 and 9A.

**UNK:** Three.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Anyone else? [Pause]. Okay. Do we have a motion to accept., to approve Consent with 3, 5, 9 and 9A pulled? [Pause]. Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second. Question.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 9A is which Item?

**CHAIR PARDO:** 9A is the sales tax.

**UNK:** Inaudible.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** The one penny sales tax.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So there's a motion and a second. Okay. Before we move any further, we have Lloyd Brown would like to comment on Consent Item 1. Mr. Brown?

**MR. L. BROWN:** How ya doin'?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening, sir.

**MR. L. BROWN:** Hello. My name's Lloyd Brown. Is that, that's, that's the tax right?

**CHAIR PARDO:** No, no. Item 1 is Minutes. Do you wanna comment on the tax?

**MR. L. BROWN:** Yeah. That's the one I mean'..., that's what I was just coming to tell her about.

**CHAIR PARDO:** No. It was 1. So I'll change your card.

**MR. L. BROWN:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Thank you, sir.

**MR. L. BROWN:** That's why I was just coming up there.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. That's cool. Alright. So, we have a motion and a second to approve Consent with 3, 5, 9 and 9A pulled. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Item 3.

**3. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH AND THE**

**RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE FUNDING OF CERTAIN AGENCY PROGRAMS ESTIMATED AT APPROXIMATELY \$1.3 MILLION PER YEAR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Alright. We have three public comment cards. Margaret Sheppard. And then Tom Sterling.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** Margaret Sheppard. Good evening, Council.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening, ma'am.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** On this particular Item, I would hope that you, um, take it very seriously about these particular programs. Um, it is a needed, um, piece or complex piece of, uh, really, a Resolution or whatever that we continue with this program. Um, I think that this particular program, um, it really helps make the City just look good. Part of this program, I notice, is the, uh, a part of West Palm Beach program and I'm excited that it's here in the City of Riviera Beach. The Marina is here and we just have things going out at the Ocean Mall and I think that we should take this very seriously. The young people, young men and women that's over there take this very seriously. I like Ambassadors, I like the people that clean the sidewalks and pick up the paper right around the Blue Heron, uh, Broadway corridor. Um, I just hope that we continue it. I see it kinda over in my neighborhood where they're kinda picking up in the corridor where I live, that's going across the bridge. I hope that you all seriously take it upon yourself to continue to fund this program.

Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you, ma'am. Tom Sterling and then James Moogan.

**MR. T. STERLING:** Hi. I'm Tom Sterling, West Gate Sheet Metal.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening.

**MR. T. STERLING:** 1199 Barack Obama Highway and also a resident. Uh, 371 Wilma Circle and I'm also a, uh, active.., I'm also an active Board Member on the CDC and a committed volunteer.

Um, a vibrant, healthy City depends on the support of our neighborhoods and, uh, on behalf of West Gate Sheet Metal, my employees, we urge you to approve this Resolution for the program sponsorship, including the application for the Neighborhood Services. It's definitely making a big difference when people come to my business when we see the Ambassadors cleaning up and things going on and the City is really moving forward in a nice direction. Really hope you support it.

Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you, sir. James Moogan.

**MR. J. MOOGAN:** Hi. My name's James Moogan. I'm a resident of Riviera Beach, 1121 Powell Drive. And I wanna speak to the same, uh, the same thing, Neighborhood Services that are provided through the CRA grant. I serve also on the, the CDC Board and, uh, but as a resident, I..., as, as, uh, was just said, I'm very impressed with the, with what's been going on in the City, especially the Ambassador program.

[Beep]

**MR. J. MOOGAN:** I, I had, uh...

[Inaudible]

**MR. J. MOOGAN:** I had almost a, uh, a 30-year career with the New York State Office of Parks & Recreation and I ran police, uh, park police programs and ranger programs and all kinds of, uh, public safety programs. And this program that you have here is really apply named, Clean & Safe and it's made a huge difference in all the neighborhoods, uh, where they're allowed to, uh, to be, at this point. Um, I walk my dog late at night a lot and I go down through the, through the, uh, Ocean Beach, Ocean Mall on, on my way down to the Inlet and, you know, it's wonderful that we have those, those turtle lights but it's very, very dimly lit and it's great to see these guys walking around, uh, in there. I've never seen one leaning up against the pole, I've never seen on a, on a cellphone. I've only seen them talking to people and walking around really providing a, presence that's really terrific.

Most ranger programs like this could be compared to, the rangers will not pick up litter, will not do any kind of maintenance. So, this is a very unique program in that they, uh, they really, uh, are great ambassadors. Not only are they friendly but they provide a, a level of security and a level of maintenance. So I'd, I'd encourage you to, uh, to consider continue fundering'..., funding those programs.

Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you very much, sir. Okay. That's the end of public comment on that Mr. Jones. Ms..., you want a...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...presentation...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I wanna hear... Mhmm.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...correct? Okay. Go ahead, sir.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Madam Chair, Council. What you have before you is an Item to support the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency for approximately \$1.3M to support program sponsorship. If you may recall, during the 2015-16 budget sessions, it was determined that the City would receive approximately \$6.8M from the modernization of the FPL plant. That money was anticipated to go to the CRA during budget talks and a joint budget session with the CRA, Council agreed to provide financial assistance to the CRA to the tune of approximately \$3,000,000. This \$1.3M will be a portion of that \$3,000,000 assistance.

To provide greater detail as to the programs this funding will support, Mr. Brown, Tony Brown, the Executive Director from the CRA is here. He can provide additional comments, if necessary.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Okay, Ms. Miller-Anderson.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, I would like to... I have some questions to ask Mr. Brown so, if he can come up...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...that'd be good.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Mr. Brown, could you please come up? [Pause]. State your name for the record, please.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Good evening. I'm Tony Brown. I'm the Executive Director of the Riviera Beach CRA. Good evening.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening. Hi, Mr. Brown.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Hello. How are you?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good. When we.., I, I think I recall us speaking about the number of employees that you had and how much they were making and trying to get a breakdown of that. Had you had an opportunity to go back and look at your budget and see how we can tight'.., kinda minimize some of the things that we may or may not necessarily need?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Yes, Ms. Miller-Anderson and, and I, I'm passing out a memo with some facts and figures and I sort of anticipated a few questions so it's sort of in a question and answer format.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Uh, we have 23, 24 employees and, of the 24 employees, 11 are associated with our Ambassador...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You say you gave it to us?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** No. I'm just giving it to you now.

**UNK:** No. This is something else.

[Inaudible background comments]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** This is not.., we're... Oh, you're gonna tell us?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh. Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay. And I... If, if...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible] getting...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...you want me to, I can...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** memo at the time but it's not it.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I could either answer your questions or I can kinda go through the memo...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Go through your memo and if that answers my question, I'll just check it off.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And then, Mr. Evans, at my seat, I left copies in case members of the audience want one. It's near..., it's inside my, um, my suitcase there. Uh, just...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on, Mr. Brown. This isn't it here?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** This is it. This is...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** This is the memo?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay? So, I, um, as...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I got it.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...as Mr. Jones highlighted, I think the first part, or I anticipated the first question is, 'What are the Marina Village responsibilities and why do you need City funding?' Uh, Mr. Jones sort of explained that when we made a commitment to take on the Marina Village Upland responsibilities, at the time, we felt that the CRA would have the financial capacity to absorb the operating losses associated with the Marina. Uh, between the City and the CRA, we executed an arms-length transaction that resulted in the CRA providing the City \$1.3M to lease the Marina Upland's property and with, with that lease, as we've shared previously, the City used the value of the lease to borrow \$22,000,000 to fund a, a, a Public Works bond, roads and infrastructure bond issue.

As we were going through the budget process, it was decided or discussed that instead of reversing the Marina lease transaction, that the City would provide \$3,000,000 in funding that would help support the deficit that we were projecting, at least over the next three years as a result of private enterprise lagging with our responsibility of leasing the Marina. So, the first part..., or this first question is that the Marina Village responsibilities is why we need this funding. It is part of the \$3,000,000 that you directed in the budget and, of that \$3,000,000, \$1.3M would absorb the projected losses that you see over the next three years as it relates to operating the Marina.

The next page...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on one minute, Mr. Brown. The, in the, the backup that was on, it says \$62,356 for Marina operating lease. Is that the same as this here?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** No. That's a different document. I'm, I'm, I'm just going..., I'm..., what I'm handing out is, is a discussion of the \$1.3M. And then I'll, I'll

go to the other..., that..., I'll go through the other elements that represent the total of the \$3,000,000 but this, what I'm discussing with you now is just associated with the program funding. You have previously approved other interlocal agreements that relate to the City's paying CAM related expenses and the \$62,000 that you mentioned, is associated with the Mariana operations providing a lease to the CRA for the trailers.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** So, not to confuse you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay. So the, the first question is, you know, why does the CRA need the funding. It was part of the strategy that the City and CRA, we came up with in order to make our, our funding whole and you can see on Page 1 that we're, we're highlighting what the losses are for the CRA in managing the Marina Upland enterprises. And we project that, as we're able to secure subleases from private tenants, that these losses would be reduced.

The second page and the second question is, 'What's the impact to the CRA budget if funding is denied?' And my answer to you is, by law we have to submit a balanced budget and the \$3,000,000 was part of the budget directive that you highlighted when the budget was approved and, if any part of the funding or all of the funding is reduced, then I'm obligated to provide to you a proposal to amend our budget and I would present that to you at your June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. The slide chart or the chart in this, on this Page indicate that 15% of our budget is associated with program expenses. That's the purple, uh, slice. 42%, that's the red slice of the pie chart, is debt service and then 36% is operations and that's where personnel is included.

Third page, third question, is and this is what Mr. Jones highlighted, that the City Council directed the City Manager provide up to \$3,000,000 in funding to the CRA, is this a request for more money? And the answer is no. And going to your question, the graphic below highlights how we've proposed to spend the \$3,000,000 that's been allocated. So, the Marina enterprises is showing that the City is picking up the common area maintenance expense, the CAM expenses at the Marina and, as we secure private leases where the tenants will pick up the share, the City subsidy will be reduced. You'll also recall that there were a couple of unforeseen conditions related to the Marina operations and water and sewer conditions under the roads. And so, you allocated change orders and funding came out of that \$3,000,000 that was allocated and that's where you see in the section says, 'Marina Construction.' And then lastly, is the sum total of the City CRA program sponsorships.

Page 4, fourth question. So, I look at each program and anticipated the question of, 'Justify the expenditures for each program.' In this case, the Clean & Safe program, 'and advise what would happen if funding is denied or cut.' And, if you decide to reduce or cut any of the funding for this program, we would eliminate the program or reduce

personnel. And to your question regarding personnel, we have 11 ambassadors in a combination of full and part-time roles so that's a full-time equivalent. So, the 11 is a full-time equivalent which accounts for 46% of our CRA employees. So, 11 of the 24, we had an unfunded position so we really have 23 employees presently. And, if you equate it to salaries and benefits, then the Ambassador program accounts for 32% of our personnel expenses.

And then the next several bullet points just pretty much provide a highlight of the Ambassador program and some statistics of what they've achieved in the short period of time that we've operated the program. I won't go over those in the interest of time.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Just kinda quickly. Is the Neighborhood Services program similar to the Ambassadors or is it...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I have...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...[inaudible].

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...a page for that for...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...you too.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Good? So, and you can see in the, in the graphic below the bullet points, that in a short period of time, what the Ambassador program has done in the way of cleaning, moving passengers in the Marina shuttle, doing construction, distributing over 257 SmartWater kits in the Riviera Beach Heights neighborhood to deal with the issues of crime and burglary.

On Page 5, question 5 is, 'Justify expenditures for the Riviera Beach small business loan program.' As, some of you know, Ms. Davis Johnson likely not, she was not a member of the Board, is that you allowed the CRA to make a two and a half million-dollar funding commitment to create the Riviera Beach small business loan fund in order to attract or retain businesses in our major developments, the Marina, the Ocean Mall and along our major corridors, uh, Broadway and Blue Heron. If funding gets cut, uh, you would eliminate a major fu'...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Hold on a second. Who has the phone or walkie-talkie or something? Could you please turn it down? Thank you. Alright. Go ahead, please, sir.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** So, this Page highlights, if funding is cut, what would happen? Uh, you would eliminate a major funding source that we've identified in our intent to finance the tenant improvements for the two story restaurant. As we've

been negotiating with tenants for the build out and the tenant improvements, we're anticipating a cost of about \$1.5M. We're making this loan fund available to them to do that build out. And with those tenants, if we're not able to meet their requirements to do the tenant improvements which is typical in the commercial real estate transaction that you would provide tenant improvements in exchange for a higher base rate and all of our prospects are pretty much requiring that. And the impact of not having this funding would mean that we would lose the potential of about \$2.6M in sublease income over an eight-year period as we're negotiating a 10-year lease with each perspective tenant with the first two years being a rent abatement. And so, that would be the impact of not having a tenant in the event center that's open and so this funding would be a funding source.

The other questions I anticipated for those who weren't around is, is why Neighborhood Lending Partners and not a local Community Development Financial Institution. Well, in 2011, when we went to see who would provide funding and match our funding for this program, we contacted three, Neighborhood Lending Partners, Paragon and the Center for Enterprise Opportunity. At that time, we learned that neither Paragon or the Center for Enterprise Opportunity were applying for match funding through the U.S. Department of Treasury CDFI Fund that we then opted to support the application for Neighborhood Lending Partners who then subsequently applied and they also indicated that they had the resources that, even if they did not receive the federal funding that they will still match our money under underwriting guidelines that the Board reviewed and approved, and so, NLP is a statewide organization. It is headquartered in, in Tampa. It has a 22 year lending history, it has made over \$450,000,000 in loans and, uh, has been a great partner.

We still continue to partner with our local CDFI's, Community Development Financial Institutions. Paragon Florida administers the small business loan program and through funding provided by us, they have processed over 69 inquiries of which 74% of those inquiries have been Riviera Beach based businesses. So they take a tremendous load off of us and Staff to talk about the program and to interface with Neighborhood Lending Partners to determine if these individuals qualify. The Center for Enterprise Opportunity, in past years, we've provided them Commitment Letters for their funding applications. We did that in 2011, and in 2010 we provided a grant so they could hire a consultant to apply for technical assistance funding. Um, the CDFI Fund program, institutions have to be certified by the U.S. Department of Treasury and some of you know my background where I was appointed and I, at one point, managed that program at the federal level and it is a great resource for our local partners to provide innovative capital for small business lending.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mr. Brown, where, where's the company that you..., the one that we have that..., where are they located?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Uh, Paragon?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No. The...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Neighborhood Lending Partner is in Tampa.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And they have operations in, uh, in Miami.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And Paragon and Center for Enterprise Opportunity are the only two local ones that are around?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** The last time I checked, they were the only two local certified Community Development Financial Institutions but I haven't checked the website in over a year.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And Paragon is the local organization that interface between us potential borrowers and Neighborhood Lending Partners so, through Paragon, NLP has that local presence.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Page 6, sixth question, is 'Justify the expenditures for the CDC property acquisition fund.' And this is sort of part of a two-part request. As you know, in, in 2012, the CRA, we created the Riviera Beach CDC when the City of Riviera Beach eliminated its neighborhood development program and in creating the CDC, we then hired two resources to not only run that program and to provide staffing support for the community development corporation but they could also deliver, at the time, the Board set aside nearly \$3,000,000 for infrastructure improvements in Riviera Beach Heights and they were responsible.., this, this group was responsible for implementing that program.

We're asking for \$141,000 that would be a pass-thru or a direct grant to the CDC that would allow them to buy properties to do development outside of the CRA. Uh, legally, we are bound, we cannot provide funding to projects that are not within the plan or within the CRA boundaries. And so, not to duplicate funding, we thought this would give the organization a good resource to do neighborhood development, largely west of Avenue F. With the exception of Riviera Beach Heights, the CRA boundaries do not extend much passed Avenue F with the exception of our southernmost boundary.

If you felt that we needed to make more cuts, then you could advise us to get out of Neighborhood Services business and, uh, transfer that responsibility back to the City and that would also save, to your earlier question, about \$217,000 in salaries and benefits.

And then, the last request is justification for the City to somewhat match fund, our special events fund of \$100,000, it would match another \$100,000 that's currently in the CRA budget so we could present cultural events at the Marina and the beach park. You will receive a presentation at your June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting where we're recommending that the agency hire a national promotional firm, AEG Live. They are being recommended after a competitive process and AEG Live provides the entertainment for SunFest. And, uh, and so, the plan is to use entertainment at the park in order to generate foot traffic for our waterside vendors and eventually for our restaurants.

And, um, that, Madam Chair and Members of the Board, is the highlight of our request.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Ms. Miller, do you have additional questions?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Maybe I missed it but, of the \$1.3M, how much goes towards the small business loan?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** \$500,000.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Now, I know you mentioned back here with the, um, the Ambassadors, providing the Marina shuttle, how many golf carts do we have over there that we utilize for that?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** For the shuttle, we only have one golf cart. That's the, I think nine, twelve passenger shuttle.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** There is a smaller golf cart that we use that's pretty much kept at our office, that is a four passenger golf cart that has, has been primarily used when the big shuttle is broken.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Or when we need to give a tour of the Marina to restaurant prospects and others.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So we only have two of them?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Two. Though this wasn't your question, the budget for the Clean & Safe program is over \$700,000 and we have bought and leased other equipment that is associated with our effort to clean the City.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Did you get my questions before you came here?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** No, I just anticipated them. [Chuckle].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Okay. Thanks.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright? Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Inaudible] Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, Ms. Davis Johnson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mr. Brown, how many loans have been made to date through this program?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** To date, they've made no loans. There have been a, um, a large number that have withdrawn and technical assistance have been provided. I'm told that we have pipeline of still five active loans and, um, what we've, what we've told NLP, it hasn't been an issue of demand, um, unless the Board directs me otherwise, we've tried to wait and use the coming year's capacity to fund potential tenants in the event center. So, there has been demand both within the event center. Uh, as I share with you, the biggest chunk of money would go to financing the two story restaurant, all the prospects that we're talking to are expecting a build out that's gonna be in excess of \$1,000,000. And then we've had other demand where, in many cases, NLP has tried to qualify them for their other loan fund. So we're trying to make sure that we don't allow any opportunity to go unfunded.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So do we know how many loans actually would be...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** None have been made to date but...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. That were withdrawn?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Uh, yes. I wanna say.., I didn't bring the statistics, it was provided to me. Out of the 69, I think about, uh, 45 or so have been withdrawn. Uh, 10 or so have been turned down. And I'm doing this from my head so if my numbers don't reconcile, I apologize. A large number have been withdrawn. Ten have been turned down, declined largely because of credit history and other, other reasons. And then the other 5, as I mentioned, are in the pipeline and undergoing additional due diligence.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So, how is the information, with regards to the small business program, disseminated to our local small businesses?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** We got a big splurge when we first announced the program, we had great coverage and so that created the bulk of the demand. And then, periodically, we do constant contact. Our office typically is, is one that individuals who are looking for funds, grants will come too, uh, for funding. We talk extensively with our local banks in the area who call on us regularly and we call on them to let them know that the funding is available for them to also make referrals. So that, to date, has been how we've been able to generate demand.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So, are there any processes that are in place for those who have been rejected or turned down to readdress their application to understand where their shortcomings were and how they can better shore up their application as well as their, their credit and other deficiencies?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I think the best way to describe a CDFI, a Community Development Financial Institution is that they are largely the lender of last resort.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** If they can't do it, it probably can't be done.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I think each of our local organizations, Paragon, Center for Enterprise Opportunity, one of the wonderful things that the Obama Administration did during his administration, is he allowed CDFI's to originate SBA loans, micro loans and that has been a tremendous benefit to local, low-income communities because these organizations are largely grassroots and to have the federal guarantee for lending, provides a tremendous resource. Now, they do have to underwrite to SBA guidelines but an organization like NLP, and others, may have other funding sources such as the money that you're allowing me to commit that we can customize underwriting guidelines for our interests.

The loan agreement with NLP outlines a set of perimeters that they've defined as an amount of risk for them to match funding. We do have the option that, if we want to take on a more risky loan that falls outside those guidelines, we can fund that 100% ourselves. And so, to date, we've only made that offer on one transaction. We required collateral from the tenant but the owner of the property declined to let us put a lien on the real estate. So, of, of the ones that are in the pipeline that we look to approve, we were gonna propose that opt out on one transaction but it would've been secured by real estate but the owner of the property didn't allow it.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And do you have... I, I just see, I see that as an opportunity for your office to work with our Purchasing Department for the local small businesses that may have deficiencies. I mean, we must utilize our sm'..., our

Purchasing Department as best we can. And where there is an opportunity for us to provide some follow up or some sort of training, we need to explore that avenue.

So, I would like to see us take a look at that and how we can better equipped the local small businesses that may be too small at this particular point or may not have the credit worthiness to move forward in obtaining such a loan but we need to be able to go back and to make sure that they are better equipped should they decide to go back and, and try it again.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And then finally, could you provide or.., by way of email to me, a copy of the, um, the loan requirements and other collateral materials that you may have as it relates the small business loan program?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And I think.., and your second point... Your first point, um, working with Purchasing, that would be to see how we could provide, more or less, a working capital loan for anyone that has a large purchasing contract with Riviera Beach as the receivable that's being financed?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Is that the idea?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. The idea is for those who are not successful to be able to go back and maybe have some sort of workshop or, or training, if you will, or review of where the shortcomings were and how they can improve upon that moving forward if they were to come back.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And then, with regards to the property acquisition, I'm curious to know how many properties we've acquired, if any, in the current boundaries of the CRA and what will be the status of those properties?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Oh, um, for neighborhood development or for acquisitions in general?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well, this.., I'm, I'm going under your tab entitled Riviera Beach CDC...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...Property Acquisition Fund...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...of 14107, oh, 607. So, I'm just interested to know. And if you, if you don't have that information, I would rather you not guesstimate it, you can send me an, an email and certainly cc the entire Board so that we could have the answer to that question.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Okay. I can give you that and, but for the record, I will say no property has been acquired by us through eminent domain nor through any other taking. And that, on the, on the commercial market since my tenure, we have required in excess of two and a half million dollars worth of property, most of which is commercial. We've donated five lots to the CDC that were remnants that were acquired from the Port when they reallocated 13<sup>th</sup> Street. And, um, and so, and we've done land swaps with Viking that have provided us additional parcels that's available for infield development. But I can get you a specific number.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And breakdown for, for their entire Board.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And then finally, on the Marina and beach special events, you indicted that Riviera Beach had no strategy, overall strategy to leverage. Has a strategy been developed and, if it's available, could you please send a copy of that to me as well?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Yes. And I should've, and I failed, I should have mentioned that, in the short time that we have formed the Riviera Beach CDC, it has received over \$1,000,000 in grant funds from the county. If I'm not mistaken, \$1.2M. And that in addition to that, it has a line of credit from Comerica Bank, uh, largely unsecured, just secured by the contract receivable for \$300,000. So in a short period of time, we think we have helped our Neighborhood Development Corporation be a player for our community in helping to stabilize our neighborhoods by doing infield housing development and a big thanks to the county for that support.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well, we appreciate the support and we wanna make sure that we utilize all dollars that come to us in, in the form of support from the county, of course. And then, when you talk about your special events that will be planned, I would just like to caution you and encourage you to take into consideration the demographics and make sure that we are providing diverse events so as to showcase but to make sure that there is inclusion with regards to any events that may necessarily be planned in order to brand us and to make us a more attractive community by way of utilization of the Marina.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** So noted.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's it, Madam Chair, for me.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Mr. Davis, you...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...have anything?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...real briefly.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go ahead, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I'm not gonna ask you any more questions but I do see that we all have a lot of questions as it pertains to what's gonna happen with these dollars that we have to commit to on this shortfall. I would just like to, to see this Item potentially come back in the June meeting so we can look at your proposed budget on what, where your cuts may be and what impact it's gonna have before making a decision today. We can go on and on and on but I still like to see the numbers on the CRA side on, on what our priorities are, where we are and what are some of the shortfalls that we can..., what we can do with and what we can do without before making this commitment of these dollars?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Mr. Davis, I will say, this is actually a two-part request so you're giving consideration as you sit as a Member of City Council.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And this Item will be on your Agenda for June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And so, um, if you deferred it, then we'll have to come back again. If you approved it with that caveat, then I'll be prepared to give you that information on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So you're saying pass it now and we discuss it later.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** That would be most appreciated. Yes, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. I'm done.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I just... Yeah.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go ahead, Ms. Miller. Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I just wanted to ask. The Ambassador Building over on the other side, what., how often are the Ambassadors in there? What, what actually takes place in that building? I know there have been other meetings for us people in the community but what are the other uses for that building?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** We have not promoted the use of that building for community facilities, as a meeting facility, because of the event center. But we have used it or have allowed groups to use it as an accommodation. Uh, primarily groups over in Singer Island, groups in Parkview Manor have used it and we've used it for our home buyer's seminars that we've conducted over the time. It is also, we lease the property so that it could also be used as a poll location for Singer Island residents. Thus, the large open area.

But generally speaking, the administrative staff is, Mr. Cunni'., Mr. Rob Macleod and Mr. Nemeyer [sp] who is the Operations Manager. The two of them are primarily there as the Ambassador staff for the most part, ninety, 95% of their time is out on the streets.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. What is the annual cost to operate that?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I could, I could send that to you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** But the annual cost would be the lease itself.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Uh, with taxes and the cost of maintenance.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Being that it's just for those two personnel, is there no space in the, in your office for them to [inaudible]?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Well, I should say, it's not just for the two. So we., it's, it's a training facility so that they can train the Ambassadors. There are locker rooms for the Ambassadors to change. Uh, it's a police substation, I failed to mention that. So, there's a space carved out where Riviera Beach Police Department can come do, take reports. We've put a, a phone system up for emergencies. So it., if you hadn't had a chance, I'd love to take you on a tour but I can also give you the breakdown of the expense. So, it, it has...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Tour of the Ambassador Building?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** To the Ambassador Building. Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I've been there...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** But, it would say...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...[inaudible].

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...a third of it is, uh, half of it is operational for the Ambassador program.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** A training office and locker. The other 20%, quarter percent is the sub police substation.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** That, um, that we provide to the Riviera Beach Police Department and then the open space is intended to be used as a polling location and, in the interim, we've allowed groups to, to meet, to have meetings.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We use that building for polls? Polling?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** We haven't yet because we've had to create a ramp...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...for handicap access and that was not done in time for the recent elections. And that improvement will be made. We committed to that location... Just a little history and background, when Catalfumo was developing the Ocean Mall, one of the promises that they've made to the community, is that they would provide space for a police substation. And so, when Catalfumo filed voluntary bankruptcy and was removed, that promise to develop space, or to provide space to the community for a substation was never committed. And so, it's another one of those things that, in working with the City in partnership, that we decided that we would find the space. And actually what we did, instead of a substation we shared with, with the community and with the Board at the time, that a substation probably wasn't gonna get the community what was intended. They really wanted a safe presence.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And a police substation provides just that. It provides a place where the police can come, do reports and, and give a small presence. And, as we talk with the community, we realized they wanted more than just, you know, the periodic presence. They, they wanted...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Like, one...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...someone...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...there per'...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...there.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. Around the clock, pretty much.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And so, the Ambassador program became part of, of, uh, of a national program that we wanted to bring to our community while at the same time, providing an opportunity for the City to honor its commitment to the community to have a police substation. So, the property that we're leasing was large enough for us to do the operations of the Ambassador program, provide space for the police and then also provide additional space for a future polling station.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do we charge a fee for those organizations that utilize the building?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** We do. And we provide a fee that would compensate us for the amount of, of personnel time to be available and to clean the facility.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So they're not actually leasing the, the building, paying for the building themselves, it's just the services of the people that are on...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** It's, it's a...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...staff.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...a stipend to cover the cost of what would be a two-hour meeting and the, and the inconvenience to have it staffed.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So they're only..., then the money goes towards paying staff only. They're not actually..., there's no revenue coming in for the building to be leased?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I will say that the monies that have come in for the building for groups who've leased it for meetings, have gone back into the CRA general fund as an offset to occupancy expense.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And, um...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And it's been nominal, it's not a large revenue item.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Right. Okay. What was the other thing? [Pause]. Something else I was gonna ask but I., it left my mind.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay? Go ahead, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** One more., just wo questions.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** How many positions do you have that are vacant in the CRA that you haven't filled yet, Mr. Brown?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Positions that are vacant?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. That you haven't filled.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Uh, [clears throat]. Two.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Two?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** And t hen, not accounting the Ambassador program, that's sort of for part-time ambassadors, like a revolving door so we keep an opened, uh, placement for our Ambassador program, most of whom we hire part-time really want full-time employment so we've seen a lot of turnover in those positions.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What's the total, total impact from the budget? The total amount of those two particular positions that are advertised?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** They are clerical positions. We have one position that's unfilled is the staffing chart that the Board allowed me to hire a deputy or, or a, a Chief Financial Officer, which we've not filled. Um...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** How much is that?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** It's in the budget, unfunded. Probably salaries and benefits close to \$150,000 but it's been unfunded. And then an administrative assistant position, um, salaries and benefits, probably is under \$60,000.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, have you advertised those positions yet?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** The administrative assistant position we'll advertise next week.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And it's unfunded?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** That one is a, will be a replacement and that will be funded.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So this one for.., the 150's not?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** The 150 is not.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Have you given any raises over the course of a year?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** As, as approved by this Board, yes sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What was that total?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** You allowed for a 3% cost of living increase and that amount was provided...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** A'...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...[inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...across the board, for all your staff?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** That's correct.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, with this shortfall where we are, did you ever decide to go back and do some cuts on that end?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** As I said, I'm obligated to give you a balanced budget. Um, the.., when you say cut budget, if, um, where...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, what I, what I mean is, you know, in, in, in a corporate world, even though we're in the public sector, whenever there are some things that go wrong, there's usually some cuts. Some things went wrong over in the CRA and we all understand that and we're not gonna beat that horse but my question is, what cuts did you all do on your side before you asked the City to subsidize and make the cuts on our side? And that's why I've been waitin' over and over and over again that we can sit back and discuss your budget before we get to this phase here. Now, I think it's a little premature that it got this far. Unfortunately, it did make it this far before we even got a chance to open up your budget to see where we are. That's all. You know? Because...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Well, I...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I mean, if there's raises going, people'.., I mean, there, there's money on one side but there's a shortfall, at some point, you know, you have to make some cuts on your end before we make some cuts on our end. Now, I, I don't wanna see no one lose their job, let's be clear to that but there's some modifications, some things you can do within your budget before we start making our modification on this side. That's all I ask that you do.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Well, and I think that's a re'.., a respectful comment though some of it is not totally true. The CRA staff did not receive any budget increase until you, sitting as City Council, took care of City Staff and then following that, you allowed me to give my staff increases. I've just presented to you...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** When was their increase?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Uh...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Since you brought it up.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Last fiscal year.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** It was part of the budget process.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What was your incr'.., increase?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Whatever we negotiated.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What was your increase?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I don't remember, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. You, you a'.., you brought it up now. So...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I don't, I don't recall. I don't...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, was it \$20,000, \$30,000, \$40,000? What was the total increase?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** You're talking about last contract amount?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I think it was nominal, less than 5%.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What was the total?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Sir, I don't recall.

[Inaudible comments]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Chuckle].

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I don't recall but I can get you...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...the information..

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. And this is what we'll do. I'm not gonna beat a dead horse. At some point we're gonna, this has to come back before a CRA meeting. We'll make that, we'll address it then, Mr. Brown.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** I can have you those answers then.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I just wanna see stuff answered. It's very simple. You know what your, you know what your paycheck does. You know.., you're a numbers guy. You know what that number is. But, at some point, we have to see that on the board, that's all I'm saying, Mr. Brown.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Right.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And I, me personally, I really don't even wanna pass it tonight. I don't wanna kill it but I think it's something that need to come back at a later date until we see your numbers from, from your, entity of the CRA.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Well, and what I did in this memo was to highlight to you that, if you so directed, any program or all the programs you cut, have associated personnel. So, if there's any program or any part of a program that you want cut, the biggest impact is going to be the Clean & Safe program, followed by Neighborhood Services. And, if that's what you want me to deliver in order to have a balanced budget, our staff is tied to programs and administratively. So, any cut in staffing...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** ...is gonna be associated with the program. And I just, I respectfully...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** But that, that's.., and that's good that you, that you've done but we, we might, the colle'.., my colleagues on this Board might wanna see your entire

budget. And they might wanna make a different decision from what you're recommending. That's all...

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Absolutely.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...I'm stating.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. No one else? Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** This is coming back, right? On the CRA side?

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR T. BROWN:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you. Item 5.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 5. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Point of order. We have a newly elected Councilperson here [inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** Sir....

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 5. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Please sit down.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** Sir, please sit down.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** Please sit down, sir. Item 5.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AWARDED A CONTRACT TO PFM FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC TO PROVIDE PURCHASING CARD SERVICES; AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO EXECUTE ALL BANKING DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So move.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Moved and...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, I'm sorry.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Finish that. Go ahead and fin'...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You're finished?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yeah. Moved and second. We're gonna have...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I just wanna...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...a presentation...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...call a point of order before we go into that.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go right ahead, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I know that we have a lot of people that are here and we're under the impression that the swearing in was going to take place. Can we just make sure the audience, tell the audience, the public, why it's not taking place tonight?

**CHAIR PARDO:** I have no idea why it's...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No. Uh...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...not taking place. It...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Claudene or...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...wasn't on the Agenda.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Anthony or Mr. Danny.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Danny Jones, Deputy City Manager. As you may recall or you've had an opportunity to view a memorandum addressed to the Mayor and Council from the City Clerk, I'll have the City Clerk discuss that with you now. Ms. Anthony, if you can bring the Council up to date on the most recent communications with the Supervisor of Elections for Palm Beach County.  
[Inaudible background comments]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Let me see if I have... [Pause].

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Danny, don't hurt yourself, son.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Um, as you all are aware, I sent an email to you all on April 27<sup>th</sup> and, in that email, it contained dialog or an email that was sent to the Supervisor of Elections Office, the email asks when was the earliest date that the results of the May 17, 2016 special runoff election will be certified. As you all are aware, her response was May 23<sup>rd</sup>. In that memo, I also advised you all that I also inquired as to whether or not it could be certified May.., by May 18<sup>th</sup>. I advised you all that I did not receive a response. You have subsequently received an, a memo from me this evening and I.., in that memo I advised that the Canvassing Board meeting will be set for June 1<sup>st</sup>. I have sent.., provided you all with a subsequent memo advising you all that I received a call from Ms. Susan Bucher at 4:35 p.m. today. I don't know if additional copies are still available in the back but copies were made available for the public to review and it stated that Ms. Bucher told me that they.., she received a request from 'they' to certify

the results of the election today and that they were going to push for the convening of the Canvassing Board today. This call was received at 4:35. I received an email of the final results at 5:00 o'clock p.m. As you are aware, the Canvassing Board meeting has to be noticed and receiving an email at 5:00 o'clock does not provide time for me to properly notice a Canvassing Board meeting. Your Canvassing Board has to certify the election results and after that, then the swearing in takes place.  
[Inaudible background comment]

**UNK AUDIENCE:** Only in Riviera Beach.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And so, therefore, as I previously stated to you all in a memo provided on April 27<sup>th</sup> and in this subsequent memo, the Canvassing Board meeting will convene on June 1, 2016 at 5:00 o'clock p.m. and after that the newly elected Councilperson Elect Lynn L. Hubbard will be sworn in as the representative for Council, City Council District 1.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Okay. Item 5. We have a motion and a second. Who's doing the presentation?

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Good evening, Council. Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening, sir.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Good evening. Currently, the City has 39 Purchasing Cards issued with two different banks. Uh, 34 cards with BB&T and 5 cards issued with Bank America. Our goal in solicitation was to get to one provider...  
[Inaudible background comments]

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** ...was to get to one provider with better reporting mechanisms where we could actually be proactive with the expenditures being spent every month on the P Cards. In order to do that, we needed to have a robust system and a solicitation was issued., this'll be the second solicitation. The first one was issued last fall and no action was taken so we came back to the Council on, in December and I asked to separate the banking RFP into three separate solicitations, one for banking services, one for merchant services and one for Purchasing Card services.

Our goal with the Purchasing Card, as I just mentioned, was to get a ropus'..., robust reporting system to get to one, one provider to get to 24/7 ability to have customer service support, to have 24-hour service. Also, that..., we were also paying a fee with Bank America, a, \$25 a month for the reports that were being generated for each month, as well as for the five Council people that were receiving the Cards, we had, we paid an annual fee for each one of those Cards. So, we actually paid \$425 for the, for the use of Bank America for last year.

The solicitation was issued. The Selection Committee met. Only three firms responded. That was PFM/Bank of Montreal...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Excuse me a second. Could you all please take your conversations outside so we can hear the Purchasing Manager? Thank you.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** There...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go ahead, sir.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** ...there was three firms, PFM for Bank of Montreal, BB&T and TD Bank. The Selection Committee met and the recommendation was to award to PFM, Bank of Montreal. The Office of the Inspector General was present during the Selection Committee meeting just to observe the, the process. The, the program offered by PFM for Bank of Montreal will provide us a rebate of .80% on the expenditures we're currently making which'll generate currently, right now, about \$20,000 in revenue. The City currently does not receive any revenue for the P. Cards, there's no rebate program currently with any of the banks, either Bank America or BB&T so this would allow that.

With the implementation of the new Card program, it would be our goal to link it to a commodity code where we're able to track against what type of expenditures you're making against what type of commodity is being purchased, as well as having a, a new request form and policies and procedures. All of this will go to effect to meet the Inspector General's report that was issued last year.

**CHAIR PARDO:** [Inaudible]. Okay. Any questions?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go ahead, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** There was a.., in Section 2, I believe, of the Agreement, it talked about.., it spoke of the cash advances. Are the individuals that have a P. Card, they're allowed to make cash advances?

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** No, ma'am. They're not.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, what.., so, the account is set up where it's not or is something...

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** You can't...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...gonna be written in the...

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** The account would be.., when the Cards are actually set up... Right now, BB&T allows for.., and Bank America allows for cash advances. We do not allow that feature to be turned on.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Activated. Okay.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** For, for any employee.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Nor would we because it costs the City money.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And then, some.., I know I emailed on yesterday to Mr. Sherman about.., he gave me a listing of those individuals that had P. Cards. There were some on here I... [Stammer] what [stammer], do you have a specific business purpose for each of the individuals that are in possession of a P. Card?

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Currently, the, the City's Purchasing Card regulations do not require a business specific purpose for the use of the Card. The Card is requested by the department director and then approved by the City Manager's Office. As we roll out the new program, it'd be our goal to implement a form with a business purpose for the use of the Card, as well as the approval..., signatures of both the department director and the City Manager's Office.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** And we'll also be able to produce the reports that have long been needed to show what we're buying...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** ...with the Cards, which we currently cannot do with either BB&T and/or Bank America.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So with this new agreement, you would...

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Correct.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...you would have that...

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Correct, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...right to that? Um...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Ms. Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'd like to just elaborate a little bit on what Mr. Mealy commented on.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Some of the people that you see on that list may be lower level staff members.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** They, typically arrange and conduct travel for the executive staff or department heads. One of the things that came out in the OIG report was they would rather see the individual responsible for making the actual transaction, the person whose name the Card is in.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** So it's, with this system, we will provide better accountability. So there is a business purpose for everyone who has a P. Card.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Or with the future P. Card system.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. At...

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Ms. Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** The, the good thing that's really good about the new program, it'll allow us.., right now, everybody's capped at \$2,500 on a monthly basis.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** However, if you need to buy a plane ticket and you needed to get a hotel room, sometimes your charges can get close to that amount. We can actually raise the limit just for the airfare and for hotel and still leave your balance at the \$2,500 which doesn't affect you to do your business within the City.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And that's different from what we currently have?

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And I, again, sent an email but I didn't get, I didn't get it until today, later today in regards to any of the violations that may have been mentioned in the OIG. Um, do we have any people on the list who were a part of that, either OIG violation or any P. Card violation that came about just from our internal audit?

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** No, ma'am. Actually, the violations pertain more towards the corporate cards which have been eliminated from the City.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Those were items number 6, 7 and 8 and 9 on the, um, IG report.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What is it? 6, 7...

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** 8 and 9.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** And that dealt mostly with the corporate cards and the corporate cards were done away with. It was our, our goal to go to one card which would be the Purchasing Card which allows us to have full trackability as to what's being spent, rather than having a card for Sears or a card for Home Depot or wherever else we're going.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay, okay. Alright. Now, so we didn't have any P. Card violations that we discovered or the OIG discovered?

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Since I've been..., I been here 8...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Not since you been here.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Not since I've been here.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Cause you just got here.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** I've been here eight months.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. But, we got an OIG a year ...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...or a year and a half ago.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We have the actual report, ma'am. We'll pull that information out and provide it to the Council.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm. And, the reason I'm asking is because I wanted to know, if some of the people on this list were a part of that group and, if so, what is.., do we have a policy in place that, you know, keeps them from using the card, we take the card from 'em or what, what's the policy for that?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We revamped our policy and when we go to the one P. Card system, we will revise our policy in accordance with the perimeters outlined in the report issued by the OIG's office.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So that's something we do have to address.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, ma'am.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** Ms. Miller? Councilperson...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes. Mhmm.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** The other thing I'd like to state is, as we roll out the new program, we will roll out training for anybody who has authorization to use the Card. It will be our, our goal to do a two-hour refresher training...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** ...to make sure everybody understands the perimeters of how the Card is to be used.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Exactly. And, uh, that's good. And also, the other part is the, the policy to enforce the correct usage of it and, um, consequences for those that are not using it in the proper way.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** That, as I stated, with the ability to actually generate a report, we'll be able to use that as a tool.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Very good. Alright. Thank you.

**PURCHASING MANAGER MEALY:** You're welcome.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...I just have a quick question.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, please.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** As it rela'.., relates to this, the dissemination of information. Um, is it problematic when.., because I had some of the same questions and, and concerns. Is it problematic for the full Council to receive the response to questions that another Councilperson has raised? I mean, do my colleagues have an issue with that? Because it woulda been helpful for me to have had that. So, do I need make a re'.., a motion for that or can I just ask for a professional courtesy in distributing responses that are going to a specific Councilperson?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Personally, I have no problem with it.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Let me just say, my point on that. And Ms. Ryan probably knows where I'm going with that. I don't have a problem with everyone getting it. I think going forward, we won't have an issue but my issue, that I've always had and I've stated it many times, is that my ans'.., my questions that I ask are always provided to every'.., certain Council Members or everyone but I never receive anybody else's. So, if we're gonna do it, and I've made this very clear, if we're gonna do that, it needs to go.., it needs to equally be distributed.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I actually would like to see that be an internal policy...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And is...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...that any...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Is that some'.., I mean, are we within...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Oh, absolutely.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And, and I...

**CHAIR PARDO:** It's no problem.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...will say this and I think I put this in writing. I make it a point to always send any responses that relate to the Board, to all the Council Members. What I don't send are individual questions that may relate to you directly such as, are we, are we having a meeting tonight? Um, you know, those types of things. And I get, you know, 'Give me a call.' I don't copy everybody on those but it has always been my

policy. But what, I think what you're saying is that you would like it to be across the board, for all Council Members. You want to make sure that any responses that are going to one Councilperson, are going to all because you're at a disadvantage when they're asking questions and you don't have the answer...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Absolutely.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...and other Council Members have the answer.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yeah. If, if, if my colleagues have no issue with that, I think that that will be a great thing because all of us then have the same information and it should just be equally applied across the board. If, if I'm making a request for information, when that response is provided to me, the Board should be copied so that they will not be caught off guard and they would have, you know, the same information that I would have.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And the only, the, the only issue is, is that we can't have Council Members writing back and...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Responding.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...and responding.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. No, no, no.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** But.., because that will be a violation of Sunshine.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Right.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** But sending you the responses, I think it is, it is probably the best way to, um, to do business so that, like, right now, Mr. Mealy is answering questions and the rest of you don't know what he's talking about.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Additionally...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But, I'm just asking a question and...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...it's.., I mean, and he's just answering. If they have a question from what's...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...being said, then, you know, I mean, you just ask the question.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yeah. Don't, don't misunderstand.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** For instance, I, I had questions about the cash advance piece that was in there. I wanted to know who had the, the, the cards and I hadn't had a chance to request that information and so, it would've been helpful to me had this response been forwarded to Council, just for review.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Additionally, we've asked that those requests...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...come directly to the Manager's office.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** So that we can provide a timely response and hold those departments accountable.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So, it may be best to do an internal policy that we can circulate to the Council so that you can approve of it because that's, that's also one of 'em. Instead of sending it directly to the departments to have the Council Members send it to the City Manager's office for distribution.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Thank you, ma'am.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay? Alright. Anything else for Mr. Mealy? [Pause]. Okay. Thank you, sir. Alright. We had a motion and a second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you. Item 9.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 9. RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, EXTENDING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT AMNESTY PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE HOME AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND COMPLIANCE WITH CITY CODES AND ORDINANCES, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So move.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Alright. Mr. Jones.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'll call Ms. Moore but while she's on her way, we'd just like to say that we are requesting that the amnesty program be reinstated. It's been a very successful program in assisting our residents and our businesses, uh, as an incentive to help them come into compliance. I think, during the last amnesty period, we had more than 23 people apply and successfully go through the amnesty program and, to provide more details, I'd like to have Ms. Moore address...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...any other questions.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order, please.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Mayor?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Oh, Mayor. I'm sorry, I didn't see you up here.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Oh, that's okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Please let the record reflect that the Mayor is on the dais.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The amnesty program that was pushed by a former Councilman and, um, I think that in fairness to the new Board, that this amnesty program, because the.., I have a feeling, as far as I'm concerned, that we oughta look at something more than amnesty as it relates to liens, that it ought to be tabled until the new, newly elect Councilwoman Lynn Hubbard is seated.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Mr. Mayor, the amnesty program really took hold in 2010 under the direction of then Council Member, Shelby Lowe. He kinda brought it up and I think Code Enforcement researched it, so it's been an ongoing kind of program for the last four or five years. There's been some gaps in between but, uh, I'd like to have Ms. Moore make a presentation, if...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** My...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...it's okay...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** But...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...with you, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** But that doesn't sa'.., suffice my, my, uh, statement, Mr. Manager. It's not how long it's been but I'm, I'm trying to tell you that I just think, I would rather for this matter to be tabled until we have a full Council. A matter of that importance, of amnesty, when there are other opinions about the amnesty program itself... Let me ask you this, Mr. Jones, is there any particular reason, will it create a hardship for this to wait? For this to wait until, uh, Councilwoman Lynn Hubbard Elect is on this Board for...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** No, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...something this important?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** No, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Well then, I would like to see if, if.., unless the Council feels differently, I would like to see this tabled and this whole discussion about amnesty and what direction the new Council will wanna take because, if we take action tonight, and then once Ms. Hubbard comes on Board if she has a whole different thought pattern on amnesty or lifting the liens altogether, as Boynton has done, then we may be premature tonight. So, if, if it doesn't create a hardship and if it doesn't create any emergency situation, I would respectfully ask the Council to consider tabling something of that importance that would affect the entire City.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I would think that we would need to.., one of the things that we need to do is schedule a goal setting retreat...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...so that those very issues can be addressed as it relates to any revision, revamping of amnesty before, um, before any additional action is, is taken, taken forward. But this program, as it currently exists, Mr. Mayor, I'm thinking that, certainly, it's been in.., it's, it's been in operation and we've seen some successes but to give a fair and equitable opportunity for us all to assess the amnesty program and what that actually means to the liens, I think that that needs to be done in a goal setting and a strategic planning session so that all concerns and all considerations can be addressed at that time which would, which would allow us, moving forward, to understand the, um, the con'.., the, the ideas and positions of Councilwoman Elect Hubbard as well as the re'.., the rest of this Board because we've not had an opportunity to review that and that's the only way that we're going to be able to fully, I think, address the issue.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I, I understand. But what I'm, and I guess if it's just a presentation tonight... Are we talking about a presentation or are we talking about action?

**CHAIR PARDO:** We're talking about an action.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, my position is still the same and I will like to hear from the Council.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What I noticed in the backup when I was reading earlier, Mr. Jones, that this Item didn't have an expiration date for the pur'.., moving forward? Um, has it expired already or? In the backup.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Ye'.., yes. The previous Code Enforcement amnesty program expired in January of this year.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Didn't you do an extension, in the meeting?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER:** Sir?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Didn't we vote, vote upon an extension in January?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** You voted on an extension in January of 2015. For one year, through January of 2016.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Not this January?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** No, sir.

[Pause]

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So, what's the pleasure of the Board? Should we...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I'll, I'll make a motion that we table it and, I mean, it's not any emergency that...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Fine.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...we do anything tonight, right?

**CHAIR PARDO:** There's a motion on the floor to table. Is there a second?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Properly moved and second. Any comments? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Oh, I'm sorry. Where...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Motion to table.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Til the next meeting.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. 9A.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA SUPPORTING PALM BEACH COUNTY AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY'S PLAN TO ENACT A ONE CENT SALES TAX TO PAY FOR NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE, PARKS, PUBLIC SAFETY INITIATIVES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TO PLACE A REFERENDUM ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 BALLOT FOR VOTER APPROVAL OF SUCH SALES TAX AND PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** For discussion.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you. Okay. Mr. Jones.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** What you have before you is an interlocal agreement with Palm Beach County and the School District to support a referendum on the November 8<sup>th</sup> ballot for a one cent sales tax. That money would be used for infrastructure projects. As you will recall, the Manager distributed some information to you where the City identified nearly \$39,000,000 of unfunded capital improvement that needed to occur in the City. Potentially, this referendum could provide funding for those projects. I think the current distribution of those funds would be 50% would be for the School District, 30% for the County and the remaining 20% will go to the municipalities, the 38 municipalities.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. And, I just wanna make a comment about this. So, the 20% that goes to the 38 municipalities, each municipality will get a share based on their population. So, before the County Commission had their meeting with the School Board, the plan was to give the municipalities 18%. And, at 18%, it was estimated that the City of Riviera Beach would get about \$2,000,000, or so, a year for 10 years. Um, that \$2,000,000 was a conservative number. So now, with it going up to 20%, the City's increase will go up also. Through the Palm Beach County League of Cities, we've been dealing with this for almost a year and, um, you know, it is what it is. The, the League is supporting it, the majority of the cities in Palm Beach County are supporting it but, regardless of that fact, in November the voters need to come out and support it.

So, we can say right now that we're going to support the Resolution and that just tells the County and the School Board, 'Okay, we're in,' but the voters need to decide whether or not they wanna be taxed the extra one penny for the next ten years. But, you know, I just wanna say this, it may not be for 10 years. If we reach a level of funding and, I don't recall exactly what the county was looking at but if they reach that level prior to the 10 years, then that's it. Then the one cent will, will sunset at that point. If it doesn't, the one cent will sunset in 10 years. And, and also, there will be an oversight committee that will be established. The County, the School Board, the League of Cities, you know, everyone's gonna be involved to make sure that the money is going to be spent properly. And the County has made it clear and, you know, we have procurement that says, you know, if any of the projects are in excess of whatever it is in our procurement, we need to make sure that the locals get a big piece of the pie here. And I know the County has been very active in reaching out to the local businesses to say, you know, 'You guys need to get on board now and get,' you know, 'get your ducks in a row.' And, I'm sure Ms. Davis Johnson can speak more on that part because, you know, that's her business. She's...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...she's involved in that. But, um, you know, so, if we approve this, we approve it but remember, at the end of the day, it's the voters who are going to decide whether or not they are charged an extra one cent for the next 10 years.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** The total dollar value that you mentioned, it's \$2.7B, if that's reached before the ten'.., before the 10 years, the program would be... the, the sales tax would...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Exactly.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...be discontinued. Uh, we.., when I, when I, when I first got here I received the memorandum where we voted in support of it and we had a list of.., we, we voted to support. Well, there was a vote. It's wasn't.., it was prior to me...

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Right.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** But there was a, a vote to support the, the sales tax and I think that what we need to make sure, that's understood, was there was a reduction in where the dollars were going to go if I am remembering correctly, as it related to economics. This is on the county side, there was a reduction and so that's why we ended up with a higher percentage, um, moving forward.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Correct. So, the County decided not to allow culture and the economic development team to come in and get a piece of the pie.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Right.

**CHAIR PARDO:** So that's why now we will, the municipalities, will get an extra 2%.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, the cultural part been pulled out now? It's no longer in it?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Culture is no longer.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** It's been pulled out. Culture has been pulled out.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Culture. And, if you'll recall, at the last minute, economic development came in and they said they wanted a piece of it too but...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...at the end of the day, the County Commission said no, we need to stay with the municipalities, the School Board and the County projects.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I would like to know from Staff, which meeting did we support this Item, vote..., take a vote on it?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** It was a consensus to send a letter of support.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** From the Manager's Office. And...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Which...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** And, I don't know the specific date but...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Would you get that date?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...I can research that information.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Please do.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** And provide it to you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Cause I don't recall taking a vote. I remember this Item being...

**CHAIR PARDO:** It was, like, in March.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...as an add-on and it didn't happen because it was brought to us at the last minute and the Board wasn't comfortable making a decision at that time and...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'll...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...I don't recall taking the.., supporting a consensus to support something when nothing's been brought to our community for our residents to even consider and go one way or another. Um, I don't want to knock something but I think the residents needs to know more information.

One of the questions I do have, Mr. Jones, is, I don't know if you're aware of this, do... Or maybe Ms. Pardo might know, Ms. Chair Pardo, which cities did not support it?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I don't know that.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'm not sure, at this point. It was recently on the County and the School Board Agendas so I think they've given us a deadline of June 10<sup>th</sup> to make a decision on whether we'd like to support it or not.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Was...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** If the individual municipalities would like to support it.

**CHAIR PARDO:** I, I know of two municipalities that took no action on it and that is Boca...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Boca?

**CHAIR PARDO:** And, I believe, Tequesta.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Tequesta. Did Delray support it?

**CHAIR PARDO:** I don't recall but we do have a, one of their Council Members here. Perhaps...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You ain't gotta speak on behalf of it. I don't..., nevermind. What about Belle Glade, Pahokee, South Bay?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** They support it?

**CHAIR PARDO:** As a matter of fact, I can tell you that Mayor Steve Wilson...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PARDO:** He was pushing this last year. He was pushing..., not even last year. He was pushing this two years ago trying to get the county to do some kind of infrastructure program.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, this, this is what I ask and maybe suggest that someone from the county come to the next meeting before the deadline and come give us a full presentation on what is being offered to the constituents of Riviera Beach before we say that we're gonna support it then you come back later and just follow our lead as leaders but I would like to see something like that brought before this Board, right before I, I take a vote on this, at this time. Um, I still don't remember voting, supporting that item ever. But, I think it's only fair that we have a little workshop just talking about..., cause I was in one in West Palm Beach but we have yet to have one in Riviera Beach. I think that'd be a good presentation item so the residents [inaudible] have more of an understanding before we take a vote and they can come speak a little bit more after receiving all the information, once the county gets here.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I think it's fair. That's it.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I did speak with Ms. Jones, Ruth Jones, about this probably about a month ago. And I asked her about community meetings take..., taking place because this has been a controversial issue. Um, I understand that the cultural part has been taken out but there was also, I believe, an article in the paper just the other day in regards to minority participation not occurring and, um, there was some concern there for some people. And, I just wanna make sure that we, you know, vet this out pretty well before we just throw our names behind the yes vote to approve it and move on and go along with this. Ms. Jones, about a month ago, said that, you know, that would be a great idea if we did do it. She said that we had not discussed it, um, and I guess we kinda got away from it, it never really materialized so I definitely would be in favor of tabling this. And you said this has to be given..., the answer has to be given by June 10<sup>th</sup>, you said?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, from the correspondence I received from the League, they would like a decision by June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Is that a mandatory, I mean, that, that is the dead hard.., hard deadline of June 10<sup>th</sup>, for them?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I can contact them and find out and provide you with an update tomorrow.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I do believe that on yesterday, the Board of County Commissioners approved the ballot language for the surtax. What I would like to recommend is that, um, Mr. Jones extend an invitation to Deputy Cou., I'm sorry, County Administrator, Verdenia C. Baker, to come and provide our residents with a presentation which is similar to what has, has gone forth in anticipation of that particular action taking place. So, if we could do that... And we can do it.., we don't have to do it as a Board meeting, it can be done as a community meeting. We just need to check her availability and make sure that we notice it for or constituents. But, we, um, it is going forth and it is on the ballot and they are trying to make sure that they get the participation or consent of the municipalities.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So, we have two, two weeks before our June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. If we can try to get a community meeting between the two weeks and then maybe we can bring it back to the next Agenda of June 1<sup>st</sup>?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** If that's the desire of the Board, I.., yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean, that would.., we would have enough time to, well, you know, provided her schedule allows.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. Cause of graduation week is next week.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What about the others? What do you all think?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go ahead.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I know next week there's a lot of graduations going on throughout Palm Beach County. So, the only reason I suggest it cau'..., and to see if she's available for June 1<sup>st</sup> where we can put it on the Agenda?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, put...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...it on the Agenda and have..., and then I'll also...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Other than that, we would have to wait pending the time frame that Mr. Jones reach out to the county and state and maybe they'll give us a little more time before we make a decision.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Then that will allow us to do a community workshop, um, separate from here if we need, if we need be. That'll give us a little more time.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right. I agree.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, so what's your motion?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So, you'll try to get her here by..., you'll try to get the County Administrator here on, um, June 1<sup>st</sup>?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Or...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ma'...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** If that's the desire of the Board

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Or, if sh'..., if they give us more time, then we can get her at a later date for a community workshop, something like that.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Like, Councilwoman Tonya Davis Johnson suggested.

**CHAIR PARDO:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Cause, if they give us a little more time, then that will allow us to work within her schedule to get here.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Will that be in conjunction with a community meeting as well?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. That's fine.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes. Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. And again, I just wanna remind everyone, you know, you'll hear the facts but, at the.., in November, you'll be able to decide how to move forward. Even if we don't move forward with it, as a City, you will still be able to vote to move forward or not.

Okay. So, okay, so does someone want to make a motion to table this cause we're...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Motion to table...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...pending community workshop.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Uh, yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you. 9B

**UNK:** You're not taking public comments?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, it was...

**CHAIR PARDO:** No, because it was tabled. 9B

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Chair? Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yeah.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Are they allowed to speak even though it's tabled?

**CHAIR PARDO:** We tabled it.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Are they allowed not to speak? Yes, yes?

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Or no? Ma'.., Madam Attorney? Or is that the discretion of the Board?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** It is at the discretion of the Board but when you do a motion to table, that means all...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Everything stops.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...discussion ends.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Right. Even to the public?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Even to the public. All discussion ends.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, there's no way we can do it then?

**CHAIR PARDO:** [Inaudible].

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** The discussion is ended. No, you've moved on.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, the public can't speak clearly?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** The public should not be allowed to speak.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, point of order on that.

**CHAIR PARDO:** 9B.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The, the Attorney said the public should not be allowed to speak but if, and we understand that the motion has been tabled but if there was some thoughts, it might be helpful for the next time that we would hear, we would've heard what the public has said. Is there anything prohibiting, uh, the public from speaking on a tabled motion?

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** [Inaudible].

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Only your Robert's...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Please, please, sir.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...Rules of Order. [Chuckle]. That's..., Robert's Rules of Order states that once an item has been, um, tabled, it's, you're...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You, you...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...done with the Item. So...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You know what? [Stammer]. Madam Chair?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** It's up to you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Discretion of the, of the Council.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Go ahead. I'll yield to Councilman Terence Davis. I'm, I'm hoping that he...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You know, I, I always...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...Council will take action.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...stand fast on what we're supposed to do but this is an Item that was submitted as an addition at the last minute and if Ms., I think it'll be beneficial to the County Staff to kinda see what type of questions that's coming from our public so she can come prepared to this meeting.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I agree.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** With some answers already prepared in her presentation? So, this might be a time that we might wanna take in consideration to allow this to move forward, with the public comment to ask the questions pending, um... Cause, like, we're on a tight deadline. This is brought before us at the last minute, as an add-on and the public should have..., we should not, um... We..., now, and the public have to understand, we won't have no an'..., we can't answer your questions tonight but these are questions that you all should ask the..., should it be Ms. Baker, whoever the County may send out in particular to, um, answer your questions in their presentation. But I will definitely support allowing the public to ask their questions tonight about this particular Item.

Do we need to call a, a, a question or can that be a consensus?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Can we get a consensus?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Attorney Ryan?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** It's up to the Board.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** If you all want to not follow your rules...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...you should probably make a motion to suspend the rules, pass that motion...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Can I make a motion...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...and then allow...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...to suspend the table, um, to take the table off the floor? Can I make that motion?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. Just suspend the rules.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No, no, no, no. We, no we...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** It, I just don't... Can we take the table off the floor, the one we just put on?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. I make a motion to take the table off the floor for discussion.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh.

**CHAIR PARDO:** So, is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** At this ti'...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We're tabling it so that we can discuss it?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. We're taking it off the table so that the public can comment because once you table an Item...

**CHAIR PARDO:** It's a [inaudible] Item again.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But, and then, we're gonna take a vote on it?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yep.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Taking a vote...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No. Listen, listen down there. We're taking a vote on this?

**CHAIR PARDO:** If you're taking it off the table, yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Attorney?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Or, off...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** You're taking, you're reversing putting, tabling the Item, at this point.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Right.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, we're...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Once you...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...saying that we're taking it off the table so we're getting ready to vote for it?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** No. Then, you wanna ha'..., I think Mr. Davis wants to have public comment.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Pub....

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And then after you have public comment...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Table it back.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...you can put it back...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER ANDERSON:** Put it ba'...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...on the table if you want to.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's what the goal is, is...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...public comment.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** That's the correct way to do it.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Public comment [inaudible]...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Madam Clerk.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Pardo dissenting.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. We have public comment cards. We have Fane Lozman and then Lynn Hubbard.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** [Inaudible].

[Inaudible background comments]

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. Singer Island. The red card says to give my address but I don't have an address so I can't put that on the card. Um, certainly, thank you for making a motion to untable this Item because you're supposed to participate in the meeting. These people come to the meetings to share with you their thoughts on an Item. This is an important Item, the sales tax Item and before you make an official action, you should take public comment. If you wanna table it, vote it up or down, fine but Mr. Davis, you are absolutely correct, that should've been discussed previously and, more significantly, one of the three of you should become the Interim Chairperson until you have a full five members because she has been going well passed her March deadline and she should not be the Chairperson tonight. That should be an interim appointee and Ms. Pardo should sit at the end of the dais where the.., next to the Mayor.

Now, um, when you look at this Item, it says, a Resolution of the City Council. Well, right now, the City Council has four members so you have a quorum of the City Council but you don't have the City Council cause you don't have the fifth Member. Now, there's no reason you can't notice the Canvassing Board to meet Monday and come back next Wednesday for a special meeting and go through all these Items because I don't think it's appropriate, based on this notice here, it says the City Council and that's not a City Council up there. You've a duly elected, certified person and your Clerk won't hold the Canvassing Board, which is herself, her deputy and Ms. Johnson 'til June 1<sup>st</sup>? You're gonna have a riot in the street if you wait two weeks to get a newly elected official up there. So you're.., before you do anything, you say, 'You know something, we're gonna table this whole Agenda, tonight we're gonna table this Item, we're gonna have the Canvassing Board meeting Monday and then we're come back here next Wednesday and do this all over again. But this should be tabled pending the City Clerk and her deputy and Ms. Miller coming back here Monday certifying the election and next week you swear in, uh, Ms. Hubbard and then you can do it as a City Council but right now, your own Item says City Council. That's not a City Council right there? That is a quorum of four people. Okay? Now, if you wanna go change the Agenda to say we're gonna have a quorum of four people make the policy of the City, fine but you're disenfranchising District 1. You don't have the authority to disenfranchise a whole district. What you could do, is why don't you appoint, temporarily Ms. Hubbard right now. Appoint her to a vacant seat for a week and then you come back and next week you swear her in but you're... Over 2,000 people voted for this lady to be sitting up

there tonight and she isn't because your City Clerk isn't doing her job and wants to wait 'til June 1<sup>st</sup>. That's not gonna happen. I'll tell ya right now.

That Canvassing Board needs to meet Monday. The Mayor will direct the City Clerk to do whatever he has to do but we to get her up..., we need to get Ms. Hubbard up there and I thinking why don't we make a motion to appoint her to that empty seat tonight, she can participate and then she can be sworn in but we're not gonna sit here and do things for the City Council when that's not a City Council up there. That's a quorum of...

[Beep]

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...four Members...

[Clapping]

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...and you're disenfranchising the voters of this City.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you, sir. Lynn Hubbard and then Horace Towns.

**MS. L. HUBBARD:** Lynn Hubbard. 1405 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. L. HUBBARD:** First of... Good evening. Thank you. First of all, I will like to thank the voters of Riviera Beach for electing me to the City Council for District 1.

And secondly, what I want to say is this, on, for this particular Item, we could have very well, before it was tabled, allowed for the, the comments to be made by the general public. One thing about this Item is this, we need to find out as residents what it is that we will be doing with the monies when they come in. What are the planned benefits because, once the money starts coming in to the City of Riviera Beach, we don't know exactly what will be done or who will be benefitting from it but the public needs to know what is going to be done with this money annually and we need to start with a program for that.

Secondly, I would like to request from my fellow colleagues on the dais that we call a Canvassing Board meeting before the Utility District meeting tomorrow and that you canvass and accept the results for Supervisor of Election and that, thereafter, I am able to be sworn in anytime and anywhere. There, there is no rule to say that I have to be sworn in here at City Council Chamber which I can too, it says the regularly scheduled Board meeting at a minimum. Not that it has to be at a regular, regularly scheduled meeting. So I would like my colleagues, somebody, to make a motion that before the Utility District, that the Canvassing Board please say it and accept those results and allow me to take my seat on the dais.

Thank you so much.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you, ma'am.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Ho'...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Manager, whoever's acting Manager. I wanted...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I wanted to say something on what the newly elect Lynn Hubbard has stated. I, I wasn't here earlier but I, I heard everything. As far as my interpretation of what she said and the Charter, it says at the r'..., at the next regular City Council meeting after an election. Is that correct?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. And this was... So, if the, if the City Clerk is saying that it can happen at, at the, at the next regular City Council meeting, which is tonight, then my understanding is that the Mayor has the authority... I agree with Lynn Hubbard, I agree with Mr. Lozman, um, and his points, some of his points that he made, although he can't tell me what to do but he certainly can ask.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Oh. Okay. Can I...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** My question is, does the Mayor have the authority, since we have met the obligation, this is the next regular City Council meeting. We didn't do it tonight. So, does the Mayor have the authority to call a special City Council meeting within the 24 hours to make it happen? That's to the, the Manager?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Mayor, we are in the middle of an Item right now.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah. But she raised a...

**CHAIR PARDO:** So, can we get... But that's fine.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible]. But...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ... her comment...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...[inaudible] question.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. So we come...

**CHAIR PARDO:** So...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...back and wait...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Let's, let's...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Finish this...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We'll come back...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...Item.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...and wait but don't forget my question.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Let's finish the Item.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Because I'm prepared to call a meeting.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Horace Towns and then Lloyd Brown.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** No. Thank you, Mayor. It's just...

**MR. HORACE TOWNS:** Good evening to the Council. Horace Towns.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MR. HORACE TOWNS:** Riviera Beach. My concerns today is gonna be regarding the, the penny tax. My concern is the education of our residents. Um, I'm, I'm gonna say the administration educating our dais and the dais or the administration getting proper education to our residents regarding the sales tax which I believe to be misleading. It is tabl'.., it is quoted as being a penny sales tax but the residents need to

know more information. I feel like it's been vague, even in our discussion. The revenue generated from that penny sales tax is gonna generate just shy of \$3B. Um, that's gonna be a 17% increase and that revenue is gonna be comin' out of our communities. We are the consumers. So, I do have a problem, even on the county level, with 20% coming into the municipalities, at \$2,000,000 a year. My biggest issue is, a concern is, how are we gonna allocate funds? That.., will that discussion come to the community because a lot of items have been fast tracked when it comes to the residents of the City.

The water quality issue was a big issue the last couple weeks. My issue is, the revenue that is generated through utilities, how was those funds allocated and spent that allowed us to end up with water quality issues? So, we're having issues with revenue management, how are we going to handle additional revenue that's gonna be coming into the City through the county. My concern is, I was emotional about the CRA piece and I don't wanna have a surplus of money in the county, I mean, in the City that we give away to the CRA. We're bleeding. Management, bad leadership. I'm optimistic about the Council that I see now. Terence, we have our, our issues but you've been on point tonight. KaShamba, Ms. Davis, they made valid points but we bring things to the people fast tracked and even sometimes to the dais, so quick and it's up for approval or for vote and it's not discussed enough and that has created tradition of bad decisions.

So, to the dais, I'm asking how are we gonna progress and go forward when to comes to that possible access of, of revenue that's gonna come into the City? That's a question for the dais that's you can't answer, I understand.

Second, Ms. Hubbard won the election, congratulations, Ms. Hubbard. Now, I know we pick and choose when we wanna follow the rules but we've been wingin' it for 2, 3 years up on this Council and our [chuckle] administration and if the public wants this lady in that seat, I nee'.., I, I think we need to provide knowledge of the Charter to make that happen tonight. We do.., we break the rules. I heard a former Councilman say, you know, about how we proceed. We do stuff wrong all the time.

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Yes, we do.

**MR. HORACE TOWNS:** It's embarrassing.

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Yes.

**MR. HORACE TOWNS:** So please, have discussion... I, I had so much... I was so optimistic about this meeting and then tradition kicks in.

So, to the Council, I'm, I'm having hopes but we need to educate our residents and we need to listen to the residents. I'm very upset about the action of tonight.

[Beep]

**MR. HORACE TOWNS:** I may move to Singer Island. Thank you.

[Laughter]

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Whoa.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Welcome. Lloyd Brown. Yes, ma'am?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** You...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yeah. Ms. Davis Johnson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**MR. L. BROWN:** How ya doin'? My name is Lloyd Brown and I, I agree with whatever he's saying about the taxes but, um, I just wanna know, how are we gonna know that the taxes in our neighborhood, like, to these stores that we got around here, when there's no paper trail? I mean, how are you gonna know that this money you goin' in these individual stores on the corners? You, you..., they don't give you receipts so how are you gonna know that these taxes that you want to help the infrastructure, gonna make it there if there's no paper trail. I mean, every store I go in, like Walmart, I get a receipt to tell me how much taxes. I mean, the Dollar Store even. But you go in any corner store in any poor neighborhood, black or white, and these people don't give you receipts. So how are you gonna know if the taxes that you're payin' gonna be, you know, gonna go to the infrastructure or the School Board or whatever? I agree with the taxes because if, if you're saying it's gonna take a, a certain amount of time if we pay these taxes and the money was enough...

See, I'm not a big word man but, like I'm sayin', if, if we paid 'em and it made it to a certain heighth or whatever, that they'll stop this and they'll, you know, but then if you don't take these taxes outta our neighborhood and you don't know if they're coming in because I know I go in the store this day and this item is that and I don't see no taxes on it. They just give you a price and that's it. So, who, who, who, who looks over these people in these corner stores. Like, these taxes that these people get, I mean, 'they pocketin' 'em? I mean, is that supposed to be, like, under-the-table money or what? I mean, it's like a man with a disability, he's goin' work but he's gettin' paid under-the-table so the people who's lookin' over him with the disability say, 'Well, we're not gonna worry about it because his name's not showing up for him doing any work.' That's the same way in my neighborhood. All these stores, they don't have a paper trail so how do you know that the taxes that we're paying in our neighborhood is gonna go to our neighborhood because they gonna somewhere across the water. Probably somewhere where ISIS is gonna get it. I'm not sure but you understand what I'm trying to say.

Where is the paper trail for the taxes in my neighborhood? You got it at Walmart. You got it at a dollar store, you got it at Sears. But nobody cares about these corner stores who, they.., you go in there today and you buy a soda for .59 cent, you go in there tomorrow it's .70 cent. You go in there next week, it might be a quarter. And I'm sayin', so who, who regulates this? Nobody's looking at the tax. They're talking about increasing the taxes, you wouldn't have to increase 'em if you go around here to these stores and make sure they got a paper trail and they're paying their taxes cause they don't pay taxes, apparently they don't because I don't see no receipts so you can't show. That's what I'm talkin' about. If you increase and, if you're gonna increase the taxes, make sure that they're payin' 'em too and that way you're gonna get all the money and then the infrastructure will be...

[Beep]

**MR. L. BROWN:** ...pretty good.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you for your comments, sir.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So, that's the end of public comment. Ms. Davis Johnson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay. So, I wanted to just shed a little bit of light as it relates to the projects that were identified at.., for potentially being funded by the sales tax based on the April 13<sup>th</sup> correspondence from the City Manager to Verdenia C. Baker and the items that, the items that are on this list were taken from the 2016-2020 Capital Improvements Plan that dealt with replacing City Hall, replacing the library, improve Palm Beach Isles, roadway connection improvements. Um, I'm happy to share the dollar values. Land for Fire Station No. 2 acquisition, new Fire Station No. 2.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's in the backup.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Pardon?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's in the backup.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** She sharing with the public...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well, we're not.., you guys now have that?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. I have that.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay. So...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So, I, I think it's gonna be good for us to have the conversation but these things came from our Capital Improvement Plan and I'm sure that that can be made available, readily available, to our constituents.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So, what would you all like to do with the Resolution? There was a...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. I just wanna put the motion back on the floor to table it until..., like we discussed it before.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Any comments? Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you. 9B.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Point of order.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes, ma'am?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Didn't we move the Community Benefits to the Awards and Presentations?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** We did.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We did. Yeah.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Right. So, we have 9B right now which is F.I.N.D. and then we'll..., that, that'll...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...be the end of Consent.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** No. That was...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** 9B? I thought that was under regular. No?

**UNK:** Did you pull that?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. 9...

**CHAIR PARDO:** No.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** It wasn't pulled.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 9B wasn't pulled.

**CHAIR PARDO:** We had it un'..., 9B was...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Under Consent...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** You said regular.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Oh, I'm sorry.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** 9B is under regular.

**CHAIR PARDO:** It wasn't pulled.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** That's correct.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Alright. Perfect.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's under regular, it's not a Consent. It's here.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Where at?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's not Consent.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is it under Consent?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Or is it?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. [Inaudible]...

[Inaudible comments]

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. So, it really shoulda been...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. They messed it up.

[Inaudible background comments]

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** It shoulda been...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 10.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** 10?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Under Consent, correct?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** 10A. I shoulda been [inaudible]...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 10A in the [inaudible].

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Is it under Consent or not? I thought it was under Consent.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** It's an add-on so.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** It's not under Consent.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

## COMMUNITY BENEFITS

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Fine. So, at this time, we're gonna go to Community Benefits. Item 11.

**CHAIR PARDO:** 11. VET'S PLACE, INC. - \$1,500 - MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS - TO PROVIDE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO THE DISABLED, LOW INCOME, HOMELESS AND UNEMPLOYED U.S. VETERANS IN PALM BEACH COUNTY.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So move.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...a second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** 12. RIVIERA BEACH YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM - \$2,500 - MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS - IN COLLABORATION WITH THE

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR IS SPONSORING A MUSICAL TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE LEGENDARY MUSICIAN, PRINCE ROGERS NELSON, TO BE HELD FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016, 6:00PM - 8:00PM.**

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So move.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So move.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. All in fa'... Uh, Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** **COUNCILPERSON PARDO, \$2,800 TO RIVIERA BEACH YOUTH EMPOWERMENT TEAM PROGRAM TO PROVIDE, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR EIGHT STUDENTS, FOUR BOYS AND FOUR GIRLS, TO ATTEND THE 2016 SUMMER PREP CAMP AND COLLEGE TOUR, JULY 25<sup>TH</sup> THRU THE 29<sup>TH</sup>.**

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** COUNCILWOMAN TONYA DAVIS JOHNSON, \$1,000 TO RIVIERA BEACH PREP AND ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY. THE COLLEGE READINESS AND CAREER RESOURCE CENTER WILL SERVE AS AN EDUCATION SUPPORT SYSTEM TO SERVE STUDENTS WHO HAVE A VARIETY OF OBSTACLES THAT ENDANGER THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF HIGH SCHOOL.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Sec'...oh, um.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Chuckling].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yeah, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Did we skip 12B?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I move...

**CHAIR PARDO:** No. We're getting there.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh. Ya'll confusing me with these things here.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** All over the place.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Is there a second for this?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Madam Clerk.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Was there a motion?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I said, I move. I second then I moved.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yeah. There was a...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I apologize. I move that motion.

**CHAIR PARDO:** And then...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...second by Ms. Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay. Is Ms...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I, I wanted to know if the principal was still here. Is Ms...

**CHAIR PARDO:** Oh.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Oh, okay.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Would you like to come up, ma'am?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Inaudible]. I just wanted them to share with you what they're, what they're doing and I'm sure they'll extend an invitation to us all to Riviera Beach Prep.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Great.

**DR. G. GARRETT:** Good evening.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening.

**DR. G. GARRETT:** I'm Dr. Glenda Garrett residing at 1532 40<sup>th</sup> Street, West Palm Beach. The currently retired principal of Riviera Beach Prep High School. Mrs. Elaine Hubbard-Williams, the current principal was here earlier and, uh, she wanted to apologize to the Board for not being able to be here now. She has her senior awards night and it started at 6:00 so she was trying to do dual roles and I stepped in as Chairperson for our school Advisory Council. So I would like to say, on behalf of the faculty, the staff and the outstanding principal of Riviera Beach Preparatory Academy, we wanna say thank you for this offering of goodwill. It is said that to whom much is given, much is required. The faculty and staff at Riviera Beach Prep does an outstanding job daily reaching those boys and girls that come from our local high schools that are not able to complete their education at their former institution. Riviera Beach Preparatory Academy is one of the best kept secrets here in the City of Riviera Beach. We take all of the students from the various high schools that do not meet the current, the regular graduation requirements.

This \$1,000 will go a long ways to assist those boys and girls with that second chance of getting a standard high school diploma. We want to say that your funds can be used to help those boys and girls that are often forgotten about. So, this City has taken a great step in moving forward and giving this. Just, on May 24<sup>th</sup>, there will be 65 seniors walking across the stage at the South Florida Fairgrounds to graduate at., with diplomas that they were not able to, to receive at Palm Beach Lakes, Palm Beach Gardens High, Jupiter High and also, uh, we have some students from Palm Beach Central and Wellington High. So kids come from all over the county. But the best is yet to come at Riviera Beach Prep Academy and we thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you very much for...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question, Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...your presentation.

[Applause]

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Dr. Glenda, would you come back? I have a question for you. First, I wanna thank you for the invitation. I was there, uh, about a couple months ago and...

**DR. G. GARRETT:** Yeah.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...was the speaker for one of the commencement exercises. Question. Who's the prin'.., who, who did you say the principal was?

**DR. G. GARRETT:** The principal is Mrs. Elaine Hubbard-Williams.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Is she related to the newly Elect Council?

**DR. G. GARRETT:** Sister.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Oh, sisters.

**DR. G. GARRETT:** [Chuckle].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. It kinda runs in...

**DR. G. GARRETT:** [Inaudible]...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...the family, doesn't it?

**DR. G. GARRETT:** Yes, it does.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**DR. G. GARRETT:** Thank you. Mhmm. And we invite one of the Council Members to attend the graduation on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you very much, ma'am. Okay. So we had a motion and a second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes. Okay. Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** **COUNCILWOMAN TONYA DAVIS JOHNSON, \$500. LADIES OF FATURITY AND THIS A SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS GALA.**

**CHAIR PARDO:** Do we have a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson? [Pause].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Tonya?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** **COUNCILWOMAN TONYA DAVIS JOHNSON \$400, SUNCOAST FOR PROJECT GRADUATION.**

**CHAIR PARDO:** We have a public comment card. Fane Lozman.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman, Singer Island. Even though I have five properties in Singer Island, I don't have an address for any of them, thanks to the City Manager. Um, Suncoast Community High School project to def'., for an all night alcohol and drug free celebration. That sounds like a wonderful program running at Suncoast. I wish somebody was here at Suncoast to tell us a little bit more about it. It says it's \$400 to

defray the costs. If we had a presentation, maybe they have some more costs that the public could contribute. You know, we don't know what's the total cost of this project.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Sir, we do have someone here to present, just to share with in'...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...information with us.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** That's wonderful cause I'm sure some people in the community, if they were short money, we'd be happy to donate the, uh, balance of that project. But this is a point that I made dozens of times before you took the dais, Ms. Johnson. And that is, that when you have a project like this and it's being funded by the taxpayers, because the way the taxpayers are funding this is that the Waste Management contract was \$2.199M dollars more than the second place bidder but Cedrick Thomas, in exchange for giving it to Waste Management, had demanded back this 90 some odd thousand dollar, I call it a slush fund, to be distributed among the five Council Members for the community. I wanted any community benefit to come in the name of the Council. You see? It comes from the people. It doesn't come from you individually. It comes from the City of Riviera Beach. It should be in the name of the Council that these benefits come. So, if you wanna recommend to the Council, great. You can all recommend all you want but the actual award should come from the Riviera Beach City Council to, to this person, to that person, to that person, to that organization. I just., I don't like the idea cause I know Cedrick Thomas tried to make benefit like, 'Oh, that was his money.' It was the City of Riviera Beach's money.

So, I think they need to change the process where you all recommend where a grant goes to and then the grant is made in the name of the Council but I don't like how, how some., and not you cause you're a very honorable lady. I'm glad you're sitting up there but some of your predecessors went around and, and made it look like, 'Oh, this is my \$2,000 and I'm a great guy,' without disclosing it's the City's money. It's the taxpayer's money and, and, and that whole process of giving these grants can be done in a better and more pr'., a better and more transparent way than it's being done today. And I have an issue with the process. Not with the end user, although ultimately I have a, an issue that we're, that, that these poor residents are paying another \$2.199M they didn't have to pay. But, that notwithstanding, I think we need to change how it's, how it's given. I don't want any individual Council Member to, to have personal gain from this like it had been previously.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. Ms. Johnson, would you like to ask the Suncoast representative...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes. And...

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...to come up?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...just before she comes, the..., there was also a representative here from Ladies of Faturity.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. They can come up afterwards.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay. Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. The representative from Suncoast?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Suncoast.

[Inaudible comments]

**MS. B. BURDEN:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening.

**MS. B. BURDEN:** Good evening, Madam Chair, Mayor and Members of the Council.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Good evening.

**MS. B. BURDEN:** Uh, my name is Betsy Burden and I am simply a proud Suncoast parent [chuckle]...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Chuckle].

**MS. B. BURDEN:** Of a senior that will graduate next week, May 26<sup>th</sup> and, uh, we just really appreciate, especially the entire Council and Council Member Davis Johnson for allowing us to request some funding for Project Graduation. Project Graduation is a nationwide initiative that's held all across the country for high school graduations. Statistically, the graduation night and prom nights are the nights that have the highest incidents of accidents and injuries related to drug and alcohol abuse. So, we are very much, the parents particularly, are very much concerned and have done a lot of fundraising this year, every little bit helps, to put together a celebration for the seniors which will be, as you heard, substance free, a clean, safe environment for them to have lock-in all night. So, we have, uh, 345 students next week. You know, as you know, the school is located here in the City and we have a number of students that live in the City here and we would just really appreciate your support. We're all, uh, very proud of, of their accomplishments and I know the City's proud to have a school like Suncoast in your, in your boundaries as well.

So, we appreciate your support and, uh, would appreciate anything you could do for us.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Thank you...

**MS. B. BURDEN:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PARDO:** ...very much.

**MS. B. BURDEN:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Okay. So, we had a motion and a second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIR PARDO:** Yes. Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Would the representative from Ladies of Faturity please come up? I apologize for missing you earlier.

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** It's okay. Good evening.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Good evening.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Good evening.

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** First off, let me say thank you for actually giving us this opportunity. Um, my name is Amaris Graham and I recently graduated from Dreyfus School of the Arts. I am the Co-Founder of Ladies of Faturity, Inc. and we mentor 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade girls and, out of 35 girls this year, we had 12 that actually reside here in Riviera Beach, Florida.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Wonderful.

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** And, uh, we do extend an invitation to everyone to come to our scholarship and awards gala where we actually recognize and award our young ladies for the accomplishments that they have achieved during their school period, and as well as in the community. And we also see off our seniors by awarding them with, you know, the things that they need to go off to college.

So thank you so much.

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** What college you go to?

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** I go...

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Tell 'em what college you go to.

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** Okay, auntie.

[Laughter]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We, we wanna know. [Chuckling].

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** I will be walking into my junior year as a political science major at the great Mother Tuskegee University in Tuskegee, Alabama.  
[Cheers and applause]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright.

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Congratulations.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You brought your fan club tonight, huh? [Chuckling].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Chuckling].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And I think Ms. Amaris forgot to mention that she is a very great speaker...

**UNK AUDIENCE:** Yes, she is.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Who has won many, many awards through the state and she represented the Voter's League many years and she's very good. So, I'm, I'm sure you still do that, right?

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Very good to see you.  
[Chuckling].

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** You too.

[Inaudible background discussion]

**UNK:** That's fabulous.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Wow. That's wonderful.

**CHAIR PARDO:** Alright. Hey, at this point, I'm turning the gavel over to Mr. Davis. I just got a text message. My mother-in-law just had a stroke. I need to leave.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh gosh. Sorry to hear that.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Prayers with you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. Is that the end of Community Benefits? [Pause].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. I think she was done. Didn't she finish 'em all?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I believe so.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's the last Community Benefit?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. So next we have...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item 10.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Item [pause]...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** 10.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 10. That was 9B.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** We didn't do 9B.

**CHAIR PARDO:** 9B

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** 9B.

**UNK:** Was there a vote?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PARDO:** No.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. 9B, yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 9B is a Resolution regarding...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Did we do it yet?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, we skipped it. That's right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We'll be praying for your mother-in-law. We'll be praying.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Slips, 13 new slips.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. 9B, the F.I.N.D.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I'm sorry. Say it again.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 9B is a Resolution dealing with slips.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** The F.I.N.D. grant. 9B.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's the add-on?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes. It was an add-on.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So that's considered regular then?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes. It was considered regular. I think it may be in the wrong section. It should be 10.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's what I was saying...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Actually, 10B. So, if you wanna renumber the Agenda to 10B or you can, uh, approve it out of order but I think we should renumber it to 10B.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Do we have a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** For the reordering?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** A second?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So we're now, now going to 10, right?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 10. DISCUSSION OF TOP DOWN BUDGETING VERSUS  
BOTTOM UP BUDGETING - COUNCIL MEMBER KASHAMBA MILLER-  
ANDERSON.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mm...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** It's your Item.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go? Okay. Well, yeah. It's my Item.  
The reason it is my Item is because I know we're coming into our budget season and I  
brought up a concern some few months back as it related to the way we came about

with our, our, our amounts that we have in our budget. Mr. Jones, the current way we set our budget, is it concerned a top down or bottom up budgeting model?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We currently use a line item type budgeting. It's very similar to top down budgeting.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** But it's at the executive level, at the City Manager's level and not at the policy Board level. If you would like more details about the budgeting, I'd like to call up Mr. Sherman?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Talk a little bit more specifically...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...about our budget process. And while he's coming, I will be forwarding a memorandum to the Council and the Mayor tomorrow outlining the dates for our 2016-'17 budget process and I think the first date is June 13<sup>th</sup>. But I'll get that information out to you. Mr. Sherman.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Good evening. Randy Sherman, Director of Finance and Administrative Services. What would you like to know? How the budget's developed?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Talk to me a little...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Sure.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...bit about top down, bottom up budgeting.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay. Um, yeah. It's really, if you're gonna do a bottom up budget, um, again, you can do that even in, in different ways so we'll kinda talk in general terms. You know, you actually start and you've..., you start your budget at zero and then you can either build budgets, you can say, 'Okay. I want this program. I want this department,' and you just start bui'... Okay. If, if I wanna program and, maybe the, uh, I think Ms. Aladia Franks left but I think the aftercare program that we talked about last year, [stammer], 'Okay. It's a new program, how do we build the budget for that?' So, she's gotta find a location, she's gotta find staffing, she's gotta figure out what the program is gonna be. And she builds the budget on a blank sheet of paper and, and creates a budget in that way.

If you were going to do that same program as top down, you woulda said, 'Ms. Franks, here's \$250,000, go create a program.' You know, so you would set the, the limit and then within that limit, you would create the program. So, so again, they're coming from two different directions. Um, you know, one is, 'I've got money, here you go,' you know, 'create a program,' or, 'We'd like to have the program. How much will it cost,' and you build it from the bottom up. What we currently do, um, it, it's almost a hybrid of that. You know, it, it kinda does a little bit of both.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Um, you know, we start to build the budgets in October. Because most of your budgets are personnel costs.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** So, we know what the contracts are, we know people are gonna get a longevity [inaudible] and we start to build the budgets in that regard. At the same time, you know, we make estimates on health insurance and electric costs and, you know, those types of issues. We take that to the City Manager and we say, 'This is what,' you know, we can see where the budget's going, we can make estimates on revenue and, as I've said in the past, you know, our revenue streams are, are pretty predictable.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** You know, so unless there's a real change in the economy, you know, they're, they're fairly predictable. So we can go to the Manger and we can say, 'Here's where we think the budgets are, here's where we think your revenues are.' And then what the Manager has done the last several years, is she then takes that to the departments and says, 'Okay. Here is your cap. This is what each department then has to spend. And then, you work your budgets within the cap that, that has been provided to you and if you can't live within that or you think you need some more dollars, uh, more positons, give us that, you know, that wish list.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Um, and then from there, that's where we then come to the Council and go, 'Okay. What do you wanna add? What do you wanna take back,' and, you know, 'and how do you operate from there.

So again, we're doing a little bit of both. We're, we're, we're building from the bottom up and then when the Manager has those numbers, she then, as, as Mr. Jones said at, at the Manager's level is doing that. Okay, here is the top down. I've, I put the cap on each department.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Can you explain the benefit, um, not the benefits, I'm sorry. The advantages and disadvantages of both models?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Well, yeah. And again, I, you know, I made clear that there's, there really isn't a right way or a, or a, or a wrong way.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Right.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Um, you know, the, the advantage of building it from the bottom is that, you know, you, you question every cost along the way.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** And, and how the program is put together and, and, you know, maybe what the service levels are that, that they're building towards.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And as the City Manager questioning the department head who is requesting those funds, correct?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** And I'll tell you, we meet with the departments, typically starting in late January or February, you know, we would meet with those departments. Um, because again, even, even as we've put numbers together and maybe we're talking about positions and those things, they have in their mind what they need or maybe what they have that they no longer need...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...that maybe we don't have that information. You know, one thing that, that's unique here from other places that I've worked, is the departments here don't have a finance person in each individual department.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** You know, the, the conversations are with the directors and assistant directors. Um, so that's why we do a lot of the ground work and, you know, the leg work for 'em up front.

On a top down approach, it really provides some, um, some discretion to the departments. You know, I mean, you're, you're giving people a sum of money. You

know, it's like when you, you give your kid the \$20 to go out? You know, you don't tell him what to spend the [chuckle] \$20 on. You know, if they wanna go to the movies, they go to the movies. If they wanna buy popcorn, they buy popcorn. So...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, they can [inaudible]...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...so, so it allow...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...wasteful spending sometimes, maybe.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** I'm sorry?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We could possibly get into a little wasteful spending.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Well...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** If you're not necessarily...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...a little wasteful spending or again, a little bit more creativity in how it's spent.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Rather than, again, as Mr. Jones, it's a line item by line item type basis. You know? So, you, you would do a, a program type budget and again, they could be a little bit more, more creative with it. You know, the, the issue with, with the top down is, you really have to have the knowledge of what's, what a good top number is.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** You know? Cause again, if you went to Ms. Franks and said, you know, 'Here's \$50,000 for an aftercare program,' you're not gonna get anything very good. You know, so you almost have to have an idea what the right number is or what, at least, a reasonable number is.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Be'.., you know, before you can really do that top down, which again, is what we provide to the Manager, you know, before she provides that cap on the departments.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Are you familiar with how other municipalities operate in terms of setting their budget? What type of model are they using?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Um...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Which one would you be familiar with?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Yeah. Again, I'll, I, well, I talked about the, the other places that I've been. You know, when I was up in New Hampshire, the departments [inaudible] was a bottom up and anything over \$10,000 or \$10,000 or more was justified by a line item by line item and we held them to every line item. We don't necessarily have the ability to do that here because our systems are so poor. But again, you, you could build the budget that way but then being able to monitor it that way, again, our systems really aren't, um, capable of, of doing that.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What systems? What do you mean?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Our, our computer systems.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** The software?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** The software that we have. Yeah. It's, um, it, it's, it's not...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But they don't have to submit paperwork and get it signed off at a certain amount? [Inaudible]...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Well, well they do but again, that's if, someone, you know, you gave someone \$100,000 for equipment or whatever, you know? And that \$100,000 may be broken up into 12 different pieces of equipment they're gonna buy. Our system can't track that, you're spending \$12,000 on a photocopier, you budgeted \$12,000 for a photocopier. We have \$1000, 000. So, if we were gonna do that, a lot of it would be done manually. As we get into a new ERP, we definitely could get to that, get to that level.

And then I'll tell about, you know West Palm Beach. West Palm Beach again, every department had a finance person. Every finance person within those bu'..., within those departments would, in essence, build their budgets. We'...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Bottom up or top down?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Um, it varied.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay? So again, maybe the Parks Department was more program oriented, the Public Works is more project oriented. But then you get to somebody maybe, you know, more administrative, it

woulda been really a bottom up, you know, type approach. But again, in West Palm they had a budget manager and that's all they did all year long. With the ability to work with those departments and, and we don't have a budget manager here.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. I, I really brought this before the Board to have a discussion as we just did just to get, um, an idea as to different ways that we develop our budget. I know that we've had some, you know, questions that were raised in the OIG, the accountability piece, um, hasn't been there as much as it should've been. You know, I think that we need to really take a look at ways and to minimize some of the money that we're using. I mean, we're giving \$100,000 over here where we may find out, if they had to justify every line item, they may only need \$50,000. So...

[Chuckles]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, I just wanted to bring that up. We don't necessarily have to take a vote on anything at this point. I just wanted to put that in everyone's mind to think about. There are various models that we could use. We don't have to continue to go with tradition of just...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Mm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...giving a cap. I think as we move forward with our budget, we really need to look at it with a fine tooth comb and see how can we cut back on some things that are not necessary. There are probably many things in there that we may find that we really don't have to have and there may be some things that we may need to put more money into to make that program or that department a little stronger. So, I just wanted to have that discussion of the two models so that, when we come back, we can discuss how we would like for our department heads to, to develop their budget.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, so what's your suggesting, once we get into the budget workshop phase, we, we start talking about this? At that pha'..., at that level?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean, I think that will probably be... What we need to do that beforehand or..., when would they start...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We've alr'...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Will we meet first before?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We've already started...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...to build the budget and...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...we will present to you our preliminary numbers and we'll talk about moving forward with the process.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Um, when we're building the budget, we think about the level of service, programs, the vision of the Council...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...our goals in different projects.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Right.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** So, in the past, we've had retreats or goal-setting type retreats to discuss priorities and that's something that we can...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Move forward on.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...continue to do this year, to have a retreat to discuss the priorities of the Council and, or the priorities of the Manager in determining how monies will be allocated to the different departments as they make their requests.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Okay?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's it?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, I have que'..., um, Mr. Chair.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. Thank you, I appreciate it.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a ques'... I know you...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Go ahead, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...you don't want me to get that mixed up, do you? Mr. Chairman, Mr. Finance Director, I will like for you to submit a report, I would like to see it and I'm sure the other Council, on the 10 top cities of the county. I want to see their method of how they do the budget whether it's top down, I, I wanna see...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...what the 10 top cities are, uh, what they're doing.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And, I'd like for that to come back to me in a reasonable time period...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And others. And make that available to others as well.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Mayor?

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Can, can I just get a clar'...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** What's a top city?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The, the...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** You mean, the...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...population.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...the largest cities? I mean, but do you mean the largest cities?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, let me ask...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on. Mr., Mr. Mayor and Mr. Sherman, now maybe, let me help you out. I think I got, I got an idea where you're going. Are you trying to find cities that are very similar to Riviera Beach?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Similar to...

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Within the top 10.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** We can do that. Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's all, Ms., Councilwoman Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** That's it. Yeah.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, Mr. Sherman. Madam Clerk?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Excuse me. Mr. Sherman, also, um...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...similar but two or three larger cities, as well.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I would like to see that. Like, West Palm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible background comments].

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** We'll send out a news and...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**EXECUTIVE FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...see what they do.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. So we have 10B now, right? Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$1,200,000 FOR DOCK G OF PHASE 2B NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE MARINA PROVIDING 13 NEW SLIPS WITH LIFTS AND 6 ADDITIONAL LIFTS FOR DOCK A, PROVIDING APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET OF MARGINAL DOCKAGE FOR A LARGE BOAT UNDER THE FLORIDA INLET NAVIGATION DISTRICT WATERWAYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND, UPON NOTIFICATION OF AWARD, ACCEPT THE GRANT AND AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET AND PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Do we have a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So move.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Wait a minute. Aren't we gonna have a discussion?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's true.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** She asked for discussion.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Who.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** You're supposed ask for discussion...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh.  
[Chuckles].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Discussion by the Board.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. Mr. Jones, can you give a presentation?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** What you have before you is a request to continue with the improvements at the Marina. As you may recall, last year we, we submitted a grant to F.I.N.D. for the improvements of those docks and Mr. John Sprague, the City's consultant is here to provide you with some details as it relates to the F.I.N.D. grant and the progress at the Marina but I would like for you to take under consideration that the City's been very successful in the grant process of redeveloping the Marina. I think we've spent in the neighborhood of \$16.8M at the Marina. Of that, I think \$16.3M of that, total, with grant funds and not City funds, and from F.I.N.D. I think we're estimated, that we've estimated to receive about \$4.6 or \$4.8M. So, we're looking to submit a new grant. Mr. Sprague.

**MR. J. SPRAGUE:** Yeah. Good evening. This is the next part of the redevelopment and redesign of your City Marina. At the time when it was determined that the Marina was end of life, uh, also the taxpayers, of course, have been paying for the Marina in shortfalls. We had a mortgage for a number of years. So, the idea was, is there a way

that money could be brought to the City in grant funds rather than to have the citizens of Riviera Beach build the Marina and put us in debt?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**MR. J. SPRAGUE:** I think, as a whole, the team has done a very good job in that grant process. This is.., when we reconfigured, there's such a thing as seagrass and the Marina was designed for a little bit bigger and longer slips that rent. We had a lot of smaller slips and in today's market, people do not rent. So, in the redesign of the Marina, we lost a number of slips in making them wider and longer. So the redesign allowed us to go in other places to recover so, at the end of the day, we get the same 145 slips, that the agencies allow to have from the original marina, they're just bigger slips.

This is \$1.2 for what's called G Dock which goes northeast from A which is the very northeast dock. It'll give us 13 slips with boats on lifts and it gives us 300' of marginal dockage, approximately, that will tie in with the new intracoastal waterway dredge that F.I.N.D. just did that brought it down to 17' so we can bring bigger boats into the Marina which apparently, today there's really only one facility, maybe two, that can deal with the big boats that will be able to dock at the Marina when we G Dock and the dredging done on the south end in another phase.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That'll be all? Part of your presentation?

**MR. J. SPRAGUE:** Unless you have any questions.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Any other questions from the Board or the Mayor?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** None.

**UNK:** Uh-uh.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Clerk.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** I have a card in there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Is the.., for this Item?

[Inaudible comments]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. I have just public. I don't have one for this Item.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** [Inaudible]. 9B.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We're on 10B.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Mr. Lozman.

**UNK:** One card in for two Items?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** For two Items.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, okay. You need one card for two Items? Okay.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. Every time I come up here I'm gonna remind the City Manager I don't have an address for any of my five properties but I keep paying property taxes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** You know, it's rare, I, I don't really come up here and compliment anybody for doing a good job because most of the people around here do a terrible job but this gentleman, as it was mentioned 16.2 or \$16.8M, he went and found that money? I don't know how often you give a key to the City, Mr. Mayor but this man deserves one. He's done an amazing job and he gets [claps] my congratulations.

**MR. J. SPRAGUE:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Thank you. Is that the last card?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you so much. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

### **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next we have the board appointments. The Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is to the Board of Commission [inaudible] Council should have all three names.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** In, in front of them.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Where?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Manager, you want to, uh, go ahead?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes. In an effort for the Mayor to create some consistency on the Board, I think he's attempting to stagger the terms for the current candidates and for those that are sitting on the Board now. He's asking that Jessica Thurman be reappointed, Delvin Thomas be reappointed and Rance Gaede be reappointed.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And that'll be..., is that all?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Have they put in applications?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. All..., everything is in, in the backup.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** In the backup?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And I do want to say that it has taken me a long [chuckle] time to find someone... I, I was, I was very concerned. Two things that I, I hate is racism and police brutality and I wanted to make sure that this Board would be an integrated Board and we are finally able to integrate this Board. This City is about black and white together. We are all precious in his sight. So, I am very thankful that, after this long search, the Board now becomes integrated.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. Thank you. Any other comments or questions from any Members of the Board? [Pause]. I need a motion to ratify.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So move.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second? Okay. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. So, at this time, we're gonna go to public comments. Let me read the rules off here.

**Public Comment should be restricted to issues, matters, or topics pertinent to the City of Riviera Beach. Please be reminded that the City Council has adopted "Rules of Decorum Governing Public Conduct during Official Meetings", which has been posted at the entrance of the Council Chambers. In an effort to preserve order, if any of the rules are not adhered to, the Council Chair may have any disruptive speaker or attendee removed from the podium, from the meeting and/or the building, if necessary. Please govern yourselves accordingly. Public comment shall begin, of course, at 8:30.**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And the first person we're gonna call up for the public comment is Mr. Chris Bentley. And, as he comes up, I just wanna say thank you to Commissioner Al Jacquet from Delray for coming to Riviera Beach and spending some time with us.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mr. Bentley, [inaudible].

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** How ya doing?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** How ya doing, sir?

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** My name's Chris Bentley. I'm here on behalf of...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** ...Live Fresh Palm Beach County which is an initiative of the Safe Haven Community Resource Center located in Riviera Beach at 2531 President Barack Obama Highway. We're excited. On the 31<sup>st</sup> of this month, we launched our very new project. We were issued a grant from an organization called Impact the Palm Beaches. It's 100 women given \$1,000. We received a \$100,000 grant to get a 30' portable restroom trailer that will go throughout the county and provide showers to the homeless individuals throughout the county. So, since March 1<sup>st</sup> we've kinda been meeting with various municipalities. We were gonna publish a schedule because we found some partners in three specific municipalities but instead of just publishing a schedule, what we wanted to do was have a test day.

**UNK:** Mhmm.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Where we actually test the location, make sure that everything works out logistically from a municipal standpoint from a programmatic standpoint and also internally as an organ'..., from the organizational standpoint to make sure that all of those things check out before we actually post a schedule.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Just today, I received a letter from our Zoning Department indicating that we will not be able to proceed with our test that's set for tomorrow. Um, and, not sure, kinda, what the rationale is or was..., the unfortunate part is, we're gonna have to notify anywhere from 50 to 125 people tomorrow that we will not be able to give the showers that the organization said we will be able to do. Um, I received the letter from the Zoning, um, office today saying that there will be no way to expedite the process, we would have to follow the standard process and I just wanted to make notice that our position, or our situation is anything but standard. Um, for example, we're going through..., we have to get a mobile vendor's license. By definition, a vendor is someone who sells something. We aren't selling anything. So that mere fact makes our situation not standard.

We had a meeting, and I do wanna thank the City Manager's Office. They met with us, they brought key people to the table. We were under the impression that we did everything we needed to do. We got to the point to where, as I stated, we thought we were at a go and now we're not gonna be able to provide that service. So, from our standpoint, things happen. Um, we'll get..., go back to the table, we'll talk to the organization, we'll make that message known to the individuals who are expecting the service that we won't be able to do it. But I really wanted to make sure from the Council standpoint, this is something that you all wanted for the residents before we go back through the process to potentially get in a place where we won't be able to have it here.

One concern I did have and I see the time is running out, is that will it...

[Beep]

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** ...bring more homeless people to the area if we provide this service and I just wanna put that one concern to rest. I can't state anything with certainty but I will say that, right now, Riviera Beach is an optimal spot just as Lake Worth or any other city that's along the coast. It's the hottest city, it's the city with the most access to beaches so you have public restrooms to, um, to use it. We're not gonna advertise this and have individuals from all over come, we're going to pre-established organizations that are currently...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** ...serving that population. So we'll be going where the individuals already are eating and, while they're eating, they'll have the opportunity to take a shower.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Have you put..., provided information in an application [stammer] as you submitted to our Staff?

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mr. Jones, you have anything?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I was unaware of Mr. Bentley's situation until just prior to the meeting. So I've advised him that I will get with him tomorrow morning to go through the issues that he's currently experiencing. When he did approach the City, the City Manager's Officer...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...we met with him and we brought the key Staff in, uh, to try to expedite the process.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** So, I was unaware to, uh, just prior to the meeting that we had an issue. So I'll meet with him first thing tomorrow morning, if he's available, to try to figure out how we can...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And, and just please keep us...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...expedite this process.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...the Board, in mind, just kinda, in line with what you're doing cause I wanna make sure that... I've heard about you, sir. I'm, I'm glad I had a chance to meet you. I didn't know who you was in the audience. But I heard about this

endeavor that you put together. I think it's great that you, you're taking some initiative to do something positive.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I would just like to see that, um, his experience and his entity's experience Riviera Beach is definitely something positive and I, and I feel very comfortable and I'm glad that you started working with him already. Let's find a way to make this situation a great situation so the next time he comes to the podium, we can celebrate together on how we can help support him help Riviera Beach. Um, because, I like what he stated before, you know, you have entities here in place that already have people that we're providing services too. So, he [stammer], we become a support system to that not [inaudible] opening something up to something that creates a whole another issue.

Any other Members of the Board wanna...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...address...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I have a question. Did they not submit the paperwork in time or?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I have a note here that said that we received their application on Wednesday but I haven't verified that yet so...

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Wednesday of it this week.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Uh, I'm not sure when it was received. When did you submit it, sir?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** When did you submit it?

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** I submitted.., well, the, the application process started about a month and a half ago.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Um, and what, what happened was, we went.., we were partnering with the St. George Center.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** At the St. George Center, we were gonna use the space right in front of that. We had Zoning & Planning come out. We deemed that that, um, location

wouldn't work so we were gonna use the actual playground of, um, St. George's Center. We offered, as an organization, to encumber the cost that it would take to cut out their fence so that we can get our trailer in there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Planning & Zoning said that we can't have it on the playground because there's not a dwelling on that particular lot so it's...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** ...a vacant lot. So, we understood that. We then thought it would be good to get another partner so we went to JAYS Ministries.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** They agreed to partner with us, they have a location at 2815 Broadway, which is about five blocks from the St. George Center.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** So, I ended up turning the actual application in on the 10<sup>th</sup> which...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** ...is a little over a week ago.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** So again, if you will allow me, I would like to work with Mr. Bentley...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Please...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...to see...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Please do.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...if we can resolve this issue.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** And move forward.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay, Mr. Jones.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, let me just ask one other question. What's the standard, uh, well, what is, what's the, um, estimated amount of time for an application to get through. I, I mean is it something that takes a month or two...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Mr. Gagnon, can...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...or is it something that...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...can you come to the microphone, please?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...takes a couple days or what?

**ASST. DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:** I am...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean...

**ASST. DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:** ...Mr. Gagnon.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I know all..., everything is not exact but, on average?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'll have Assistant Community Development Director, Jeff Gagnon answer that question for you, ma'am.

**ASST. DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:** Good afternoon, Mayor and Council. Jeff Gagnon, Assistant Director of Community Development. A typical process would take around two weeks. However, this is not a typical application by any means.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**ASST. DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:** The application was submitted through my cue on Wednesday of last week and today I provided Mr. Bentley with specific questions. We did have a phone conversation, um, so some of those questions were answered, however, the full Staff review is still underway so this document was provided to police department, fire department and we're still waiting full response from City departments to make sure that all comments were satisfied.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**ASST. DIRECTOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:** And again, this proposal is very unique. I think that, that the City is trying to support the applicant, however, we wanna make sure that all bases are covered.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Chairman. I appreciate that. Mr. Bentley, come back to the mic. I wanna just ask a couple more questions. We, City of Riviera Beach, we are always thankful, what we do, when we do for the, the least of these. Was there any press release from your office about the planned event for tomorrow?

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** For, [stammer], we, yes and no. I will say that we've made it known that we were gonna potentially start our program on the 19<sup>th</sup> and that it would be with a specific partner. Because it was a test and we didn't want a lot of outside eyes, per se, but we really wanted to logistically go through our process and make sure that everything was in accordanced., I mean, space wise and...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So you're...

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** ...everything worked out.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...you're expecting tomorrow about 50 or 60 people that you've already contacted, that were gonna be there to take showers? Is that...

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Yes, that's correct.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** They wanna get clean, right?

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** That's correct.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Jones, whatever you can do to make it, make this happen tomorrow pending anything else that has... Because this is somewhat, I, I see [stammer] urgent or emergency situation. If, if, if you can do anything to make it happen, um, since they were kinda under the impression that it would be happening, I would appreciate it.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Understood.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you. Without any...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...problem.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mr. Jones is gonna get with you.

**MR. C. BENTLEY:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thanks. Next, we have Mr. Lloyd Brown.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And while the public., Mr. Chairman, while we're...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Lloyd Brown? Okay. Horace Towns.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And while the public is coming, I would like to hear...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...any comments that you may have as it relates to moving ahead in getting the newly elect person sworn in and not waiting two weeks. If you agree or disagree, I'd like to hear that before I call the special meeting, if it's in my authority. Thank you.

**MR. H. TOWNS:** Good evening to the Council again. Good to see you, Mayor Masters on the, on the dais.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MR. H. TOWNS:** Good to see Al Jacquets, from Delray, a great leader in his community. Um, we just all, we all experienced a epic ride with the elections and our City is going to change direction and I'm asking the Council, who's gonna have a big job. You're gonna have a lot of repairs to make, uh, the next three years. Um, but a lot of people also campaigned and there's a lack of accountability but I'm hopeful for this dais that we have up now. Um, I'm asking that, in the next couple years, well, the next three years, that we focus on some of the issues that were big in our community. Jobs, we have, uh, multi-million dollar franchises in this industrial city, yet we still lack a certain amount of middle class jobs for the residents. I'm asking that this Council do what they can do, even in procurement code, to address, um, the investment and the skilled labor for a lot of residents. You know, you can give a man a fish but if you teach a man how to fish, you know, yada, yada.

Um, affordable housing, also, is a big issue. I would like for us to be able to attract residents from our community, we have policeman, fire and many officials that moved outside of the community to pursue the American Dream when, you know, education'll teach 'em that right now we're sittin' on prime real estate. I'm asking that, uh, the issues, like, with the Housing Authority, we have vacant parcels of land in our community that are sittin', you know, dormant. We've had no real new development in our City in over a decade, if I'm not mistaken. Except for Singer Island. Riviera Beach is bigger than Singer Island. Riviera Beach is Singer Island and above. So, I'm just asking this Council to address those issues or keep the focus on jobs, affordable housing and, uh, accountability.

Also, last off, when we discussed the City Manager's contract, I think I spoke and said that we should proceed slowly as in not renewing the contract for an amount of time past six months. The last issue, now that the dais is confused, we're maybe removing Ms. Jones, I'm concerned because she leaves with a nice payout. So, just in the future, thinking about the decisions that we make, to put more vision on the things that come up through the City because it affects the residents in our City.

But, other than that, I'm just hopeful to see some change on the dais and, uh, hopeful to see our City...

[Beep]

**MR. H. TOWNS:** ...move forward. Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank, you, Mr. Towns. Next, Mr. James Ryan. [Pause]. Mr. James Ryan, if I have that correct.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** He left.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** James Morgan. Mr. James Morgan? [Pause]. Mr. Dan Taylor.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** He left.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Fane Lozman, Mr. Fane Lozman? Did he leave?

**UNK AUDIENCE:** He left.

[Laughter]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, there you go.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** I, I appreciate that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** He left but he came back. [Chuckle].

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane., you know, this is Fane Lozman, Singer Island.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** With no...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** You know, City Manager, you're putting me and my guests at risk by not giving us an address. I've been coming up here for years. You think it's a big joke. You met with the Mayor, it's a big joke. Let me tell you something, it's not a joke. We try to call the police department there one time, they couldn't find where we were located. Dan Taylor has an empty lot next to me, he has an address. The former Community Development Director has an empty lot with a dock on it and he has an address but you're not giving me an address and the City has spent over fourteen grand fighting me from an address. So you're gonna have a lot of explaining to do. You know, you retired from the police department, you should just go be hitting golf balls because you're not a good city manager and a young person coming out of business school should have your job.

Now, let's talk about how does Palm Beach County do their Canvassing Board. They're the, uh, uh, county, uh, election on March 15<sup>th</sup>, March 16, 2016, the Supervisor of Elections noticed that the Canvassing Board would meet March 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. You can go look it up online. So, they had the election on a Tuesday, they put notice on a Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. Thursday they had the Board. It is ludicrous to say we're gonna wait 'til June 1<sup>st</sup>. That is ridiculous. Carrie Ward would never let that happen. You are having an empty seat, you are disenfranchising District 1 voters for two weeks, it doesn't work that way. You're not gonna play God and circump'..., circumvent the will of the voters. You should say, 'I'm gonna do,' [snaps fingers], 'just what the county does. As soon as possible, we're gonna fill that empty seat so the representatives in District 1 that have issues can talk to their elected officials.' Where do you get off that you're gonna wait a couple weeks to get somebody in there? Who told you to do that? I saw you whispering back and forth with Pam Ryan. That isn't gonna cut it. You're gonna do it the way every other municipality does. When you have the election, right away it's certified and you have the Canvassing Board. We're not gonna tolerate the two..., over 2,000 people in this City that voted for Ms. Hubbard, to do what you wanna do. It's not gonna happen, Ms. Anthony. You need to go tonight and notice that Canvassing Board for tomorrow. That's what you should be doing. Okay? So that she can come up there and, and be sworn in before the Utility District Board. You think it's funny. You know, I, I've talked to people about your professionalism. I understand you were watching cartoons in the Judge's, uh, uh, when, when you were at the courthouse last week. Okay? This is a serious job you're doing and you're not doing it. Yesterday, a man came in with a, Slosser came in with a neckband. Okay? He was the guy that had the phony one before. I called up to try to talk her about it, she just blew me off like I didn't exist. We had to get Susan Bucher down to the polls to explain that you can't come in with a neck badge and campaign inside the office.

I'm not gonna tolerate you disenfranchising this community. You may think it's a joke but it isn't a joke. The Mayor's not gonna let you disenfranchise, the people on the dais isn't. You need to notice that Canvassing Board for tomorrow and do your job or you and your, your...

[Beep]

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...boss there can move on and...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...get out of our City.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next, Ms. Wilder. Then next...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...we have Ms. Margaret Sheppard.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I did wanna just, um, make note that I did inquire about the address for Mr. Lozman so that is in the works in trying to resolve that because I think I've heard that almost every meeting...

[Clapping]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...since I've been on the Board.

[Inaudible audience chatter]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, I did...

[Applause]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...check into that.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ms. Wilder's gone? Ms. Margaret Sheppard. [Pause]. And then after Ms. Sheppard we have Mr. Amon Yisrael.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** Margaret Sheppard. If I was in church Ms. Miller-Anderson, I would say thank you, Jesus.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You can still say it.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Give the man an address.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** I am so sick of that. It could've been eliminated a long time ago. Do what's right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** They put you all in those seats to do what is right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** We have been stunned with precedence of things that happened 30 years ago and now it's coming to the top. I don't like thunder and lightning and I thought this would be a good time to support my sister, Lynn Hubbard.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Hmm.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** And I get here, and I'm appalled at how this thing is happening.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mhmm.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** It said on the television 100%. 100%. Okay, you have been doing a, a special meetings all, what, last three or four weeks. A special meeting should have been called to install her. That's her seat. She has no input. None. This is a new day in Riviera Beach and I think the things that happened before, it's pretty much over. You must do what is right by the people that put you in office. I left town to take care of my children, came back, oh my God. C'.., went back, came back, one vote. That's absurd. In all the years in I lived in Riviera Beach, one vote. You gotta be kidding with me.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** Pretty much had it. And I made up my mind, I was gonna try not to get myself worked up but the senior citizens, they are tired. \$10,000.., let me... I don't wanna go into that again but do you know some of the seniors can't even paint their houses? They can't even put down sod. Some of 'em.., I was talking about the money, Mayor, you never was in danger of losing. I took the money and I made sure that seniors ate...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** ...got to the polls and got back. Okay. Took 'em to the polls again, brought up.., fed 'em again, and you know, Mayor, they was so grateful. You never was in danger so I took the money.

[Laughter]

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** And I made sure...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Ms. Sheppard.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** ...that our sen'.., cause you are the people's Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** You are the Mayor of the homeless and I asked them, 'Do you all mind?' They said, 'No, Ms. Sheppard. I don't mind. The Mayor would understand.' But let's get back to this ASAP and install Ms. Lynn Hubbard.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** So we can get about what the business of the City. I wanna say to you, it is time. Whatever's going on, we need to put it away. It's foolishness.

[Beep]

**MS. M. SHEPPARD:** Let's move forward. Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Alright, Mr. Williams. Stay calm back there. [Chuckle].

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** Okay. Good evening.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Good evening, sir.

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** My name is Amon Yisrael, Riviera Beach, Florida, Monroe Heights area. I'm representing builders of the highway and right now, disease and sickness is plaguing our community. Right now, high blood pressure, cholesterol, diabetes and cancer is at epidemic proportions. We now have, uh, 20 year olds that are having seizures, I mean, heart attacks, all kinds of illnesses at a much younger age. This is happening because we lack the knowledge that we need to correct this. We have one of the best in the world, Hippocrates Health Institute. They're world renowned.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Right here.

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** Right here in the West Palm Beach area. They're gonna be in Riviera Beach this Saturday at Wells Recreation Center. The, uh, affair starts at 10:00 a.m. [Clears throat]. Unfortunately, we just heard that our Chair Dawn Pardo mother-in-law had a stroke. When you lack the information and the stroke.., strokes is at a all-time high in our community. Hippocrates have a hyperbaric chamber that they put stroke patients in at a early age and they're having about 90% full recovery. If we don't have this knowledge, when we hear we're destroyed for the lack of knowledge, that's just not a random statement, it's a reality. High blood pressure, cholesterol, diabetes can be reversed in 30 days. I personally had cholesterol. I love ice cream.

[Chuckles]

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** I got rid of it in 30 days through diet. So, I'm saying disease and sic'.., sickness is not something we have to accept. Right now, the drug industry has created a residual income in the billions of dollars from us being sick. There are options. You wanna do whatever it takes to come to this affair. There's gonna be some powerful information shared this Saturday. You do not want to miss this. If you don't do it for yourself, do it for your children. Diabetes is epidemic in the elementary schools.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Hmm.

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** We can change this. Please cone to the affair. There is a \$15.00 donation.

[Beep]

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, sir. Next we have Mr. [inaudible]. Mr. Shelby Lowe. [Pause]. Did Shelby Lowe leave? Okay. Reverend Davis.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And while he's coming, Mr. Chairman.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Go ahead, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Manager, would you direct Walter to tape this, videotape this Saturday? This is a lifesaving thing that we're having?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** On Saturday?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**REVEREND G. DAVIS:** Reverend Davis, uh, 1273 West 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Riviera Beach, Florida. I've been here so long I forgot what I wanted to say.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**REVEREND G. DAVIS:** [Chuckle]. Good evening to the Mayor and to, uh, Chairperson and the rest of you. And I sat here for quite a while and I observed..., I've been here all my life and I have never seen this City in such an uproar but thank God, God heard our prayers. [Clears throat]. We've been enslavin' now for quite a while under Bruce Guyton and Cedrick Thomas and, and, uh, Pardo and Judy Davis, them. The thing that get me is that, people bought their homes out here, they [inaudible], they lived out here all their lives and I've been praying for God to bring somebody. I'm sure, this Council's a different Council. I thank God for you all. But let me say this first, that the, the Council don't own this City and you must recognize that the government to the, uh, the City is by the people, for the people, of the people. The people run this City and they come to you to tell you what they want and you're supposed to hear the cry of the people. To make a long story short, uh, they puttin'..., I mean, when you think about it, I feel like crying sometime. I've been praying to God to give us [stammer] the right people and I think ya'll the right people that..., they have almost \$50M off of lien on these people' house which is a disgrace before God and God gonna kill some of [stammer]. Watch, watch what I tell ya now.

But, make a long story short, we're enslaved just like the children in, uh, in Israel. Can you imagine..., I know one man that, that [inaudible] \$5,000,000. My son, Sydney, had \$500,000. I mean, who come up [sic] this kinda idea? And I pray that you, Council, up

there now, will..., Boynton did it and you all can do it. Take them liens off these people property so that people can live and have another, rest of their life in happiness and you will see more people come out and vote than you ever have in your life before. It is not fair for this.., for this.., for not.., the Council sit up there and put these people in slavery. If I call it pure slavery. I mean, can you imagine, uh, even, uh, in, in Monroe Height' over there, they wanna take.., CRA wanna take about five feet of their property. In Federal Garden, they wanna make that into a ware'.., warehouse district. But the things that I'm trying to get you all to see, we need to take them liens of this property like Boynton did. I'm.., take 'em complete off.., talkin' about some, some, uh, some, uh, uh, amnesty. Forget about that junk. Take off the peop'.., take, give these people a chance to live, let 'em live they life like they, like God want 'em to do. Take 'em outta slavery, okay? Uh, Judge Rogers said that three hands can change anything, all you gotta do is make a motion to take these liens off these people property. It's they property. Why you wanna hold these people in hostage, I don't know but I'm praying this Council will do that soon. Take this liens off these people property.  
[Beep]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you. Next, I'mma call Ms. Dawson. Go get you some water first, Ms. Dawson.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** It's something in this room...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. Mary Bram.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...making everybody cough.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I think it is. 'Coughing I wasn't...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ms. Bram.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...doing before I got here.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Something in this room is...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** There's something going...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...causing everybody to cough.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mary Bram. Mary Bram's gone?

[Inaudible audience comments]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. She's here.

**UNK:** She's here.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No. She's right back there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ms. Mary Bram. [Inaudible].

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No, no. She's...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. You go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...getting water.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** She's gonna get some water first. I was, I just didn't want...

[Inaudible audience comments]

**MS. M. BRAM:** Good evening. Ms. Mary Bram, Riviera Beach.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening, Ms. Bram.

**MS. M. BRAM:** Proverb says, 'Attend into my wisdom and bow thy ear to my understanding that thou mayest regard discretion and that thy lips may keep the knowledge.' You all need to read Proverbs. You all need to read Proverbs. Now, the election is over.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**MS. M. BRAM:** It's done.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** Yes.

**MS. M. BRAM:** How will we heal? I will not allow any representative up there to deviate the necessities of this City here. But, as the leadership that is in the City, you got to be willing to work. You gotta have a meeting of the minds. This should not have happened here tonight. No, no, no. We., the election is over with. It is winners and it is losers and the losers are not always at the bottom. It's still good that will come about even the losers so we have to come to realize that. Ms. Hubbard won the seat clear. Let's get over it. Let's move it. Let's do the things that we should do. Pam, we'll work with you. Managers here, we'll work with you. Councilpeople, we'll work with you but you also have to work with us. You must have that meeting of the mind.

I agree about Mr. Lozman. I'm tired, the residents are tired. Come to the table. Give him that address. If he's over there, give it to him.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**MS. M. BRAM:** That's more taxes for us.

[Chuckles and chatter]

**MS. M. BRAM:** Reverend Griffin Davis, he's right about Boynton. They did. You know why they did that down in Boynton? Because it helped build up their city. They were able to release those liens and, just like Reverend Evans has stood here numerous of times and told you all, to give them their time frame and if they don't, go back. If you wanna keep the amnesty program but you have to have a meeting of the minds. We're tired because this election was only the beginning. Now, if you wanna do right, in the sight of God, let's do right unto one another.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**MS. M. BRAM:** Lay all weight aside. Stop these attitudes. And the filters, I made mention about the 40 spots for this contamination, wherever it be, we want 'em posted. Right residents?

**AUDIENCE:** That's right.

**MS. M. BRAM:** We want 'em posted. And the, and the one cents tax, you all think about this too, giving back to the community. Put filters into these people's homes.

[Beep]

**MS. M. BRAM:** These residents are older here.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** Yeah. That's right.

**MS. M. BRAM:** Get water filters. If you wanna do some good for your City and your community, think on these things.

**AUDIENCE:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**MS. M. BRAM:** And let's lay, lay these weights aside.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, Mary Bram. Ms. Dawson, you ready?

**MS. D. DAWSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright, Ms. Dawson. Make sure you get you some water. Next, we have Ms. Charlotte.

[Inaudible audience comments]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Ms. Dawson, you're mighty sharp in that, that blazer tonight.

[Chuckles]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** It looks good.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** She said don't try her with that.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** How about that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckles]. It looks good.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** [Stammer]. To Pro Tem Davis...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** The Mayor and Mr. Jones.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** We are, uh, proud of all of you all here tonight. And, for Ms. Hubbard [inaudible].

**MS. D. DAWSON:** Um, I'm here because.., I'm grateful to Mrs. Johnson Davis and Mr. Davis for our clean up on last Saturday, Saturday before last.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** But my issue here tonight is, um, when Mr. Thomas was here and Mr. Guyton was here, Mr. Thomas, I think, gave us 200,000 and Mr. Guyton gave us 100,000 for our Ri'.., Riviera Beach Heights Center.

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Yes.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** And I thought we were supposed to dedicate it in February but I'm kinda old, I kept forgettin'. But, I don't know but I think it was in February we were supposed to sort of break grounds, maybe that was it. But I'm here because I'm wondering, and I don't want you to forget because we'll be here. Every time you look up, you'll see us because we're still interested in our City...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**MS. D. DAWSON:** ...or, our Center on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Riviera Beach Heights and we didn't attend the Zoning Board the other day but, Mr. Jones, I saw the, the architect back there so we're still waiting and we won't stop.

Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you. Next, Ms. Charlotte. Is it Darville? [Pause]. Next, and after that we have Mr., Mr. Burrs, after Ms. Darville. Do I have that correct?

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** Hi. [Clears throat]. Charlotte Darville, 361 West 20<sup>th</sup> Street.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** Uh, I just would like to say that my voting experience, this past Tuesday, was very, very pleasant this time and it was nice not to see all the hooligans out there trying to get you to vote for their people and practically climbing on the cars. It was great.

I brought up, about three months ago, and I'm sure it was before that also, that I had requested on 20<sup>th</sup> Street, for it to be repaved and for us to have the nice City lights. No one has ever contacted me on that. Uh, they said they would and that's, like I said, that was, um, it wasn't the last Council meeting, it was the one before that. Um, [sigh]. I just hope that this City will keep moving forward. Uh, we've moved backward for a long time. I've been here for 43 years and it was a wonderful City then and gradually it went downhill. And, a lot of times I'm ashamed to say where I live. I'm very lucky that the street that I'm on, I have wonderful neighbors and we all stand by each other and watch out for each other. But it's, it's sad when you [stammer], you're scared to go out and go for a walk or ride a bicycle or walk your dog. You're afraid of getting shot. It's not only the crime, it's the drugs. [Pause]. And, we need to make a real effort to get this City cleaned up if we wanna present ourselves appropriately. It's not only that Marina, it's the rest of the City. It's not only the residents on the east side of the tracks, it's the residents on the west side of the tracks also.

I know that, you know, the City has evoked for us to clean up our properties, which is wonderful and..., but, I believe most of that has been done on the east side. It's like they're...

[Beep]

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** ...the west side is going on the, the wayside, like they don't care.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, Ms. Darville.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** But it needs to be cleaned up all over to bring important people in here and get this City where it should be.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Appreciate it. Next, Ms. Bessie Brown.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Stammer], Sir, Sir Chair. Is Mr. Brent Johnson here?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. He's in the back. He's coming.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, Mr. Burrs, I'm sorry. Then Ms. Brown. Mr. Burrs, is it Henry Burrs or Reverend Burrs?

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** Reverend Burrs.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 'Cause I got two cards and one said Henry. I ain't never called you by your first name.

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** Bessie messed it up.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Just to let you know, I don't call you by Henry, so.

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You threw me off.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Bessie messed it up.

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** Yeah, she messed it up.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Lord, forgive her.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Chuckles].

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** To the Council and the Mayor, City Manager and congratulations to Ms. Hubbard for, uh, newly elected for the City Council. Mr. Chair, not to point fingers at anyone but I worked for this City for 30 years, served on the Council for two years. The City, uh, the, uh, Supervisor of Election has nothing to do with this, uh, Council. Now, this Council, and I know for a fact 'case I sat on the Council, and I, and I know Ms., uh, the City Clerk she's, this is her first election. I'm quite sure she was nervous and did the best she could and, yet, you know, we all make some mistakes in, in times. But what shoulda happened, this is a fact, when the Council, when the Council election was coming up, when the Resolution went out, it should've been stated then on that Resolution when the Canvassing Board was gonna meet immediately after the election. Not stating who was gonna win because you don't know who' gonna win, just state what' gonna happen, after the election. That shoulda been on the Resolution before the election and you coulda had your Canvassing Board meet. They coulda met, uh, this, this afternoon at 2:30, 3:30, whenever and then sworn Ms., uh, Ms. Hubbard in. At this particular time, she'd'a been sittin' on this Council.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** That's right.

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** That's what shoulda happened. It shoulda been in the Resolution. You know, not wait after the Council to send out the Resolution about when the Canvassing Board gon' meet and don't let the City.., Supervisor of Election tell you how to run your Council. Okay. So, this is what shoulda happened.

Now, some would like somebody seats, [inaudible] er, uh, you make mistakes and you.., you're in violation.., you've been violating of the Charter. Let me tell ya'll this. The Charter, the, the, uh, the, the Charter is your Bible. Not the Holy Bible but is your Bible. And I ensure, encourage you to read it. To read your Charter because you do make some serious mistakes sittin' up there not knowing what's there in your Charter.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mm.

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** Now, a few weeks ago, [stammer], I haven't been here in a long time because I been with my wife, she been sick but anyway, you should never have a Councilperson to vote on any meeting when they're not present. That's against your Charter. Your Charter states that your meeting should be governed by the Robert Rules of Order and you cannot vote on a issue if you're not at the meeting. Why you think Ruben [sp] down in Miami having so much trouble? He don't be at the meeting. You can't vote in [stammer] in the Washington, unless you' at the meeting. Tallahassee, you got to be at the meeting to vote. That's against your Charter and your Charter states that you must operate according to Robert Rules of Order. And ya'll need to get somebody here who knows Roberts Order to keep ya'll in order and you'll have less problems.

Now, far as the, uh, far as the liens, say how they gonna do their liens? Do the same thing like you did for the guy on Broadway. How did he get rid.., how he got rid.., on the, on this, uh, motel over there, they dropped it. He never paid the bills, I don't think.

Check the record, I don't know if he paid the bill or not but they dropped all the liens off his property and he got away scot-free. Do the s'... Find out he did that, do it for these peoples. It ain't hard to do.

Just follow your Charter and be consistent in what...

[Beep]

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** ...you're doing. Read your Charter.

**UNK AUDIENCE:** That's right.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you. Next...

**REVEREND H. BURRS:** That's what you got it for.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next, we have Ms. Bessie Brown.

**MS. B. BROWN:** Good evening. Bessie Brown. I'd just like to say, um, according to what Mr. Burrs was saying, that was [inaudible], got rid of all his, his fines, and didn't even pay his administrative costs.

Um, I'd just like to say, um, at this time, Lynn Hubbard has been elected. I would hope that you will find it in your heart and to do, and to, um, just do what is right. She doesn't need to wait 'til June 1<sup>st</sup>, she was elected yesterday and I just would like to..., for ya'll to adjust the, um, adjust the Canvassing Board as, as needed and make it happen.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you. Ms. Miller, Lafetta [sp]. If I mess it up, I do apologize, I stand corrected. Ms. Miller? Are you here? Lafetta? [Pause]. Lafetta, I think it is. Is that Ms. Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. There's no Ms. Miller. Daniel Barnett.

**MR. D. BARNETT:** Good evening. Daniel Barnett, resident, uh, business owner and a lott'a other things that God opened doors up to, you know, for me to step into. Um, I wanted to preach but everybody, my elders before me preached and all the words, I'm gonna conclude to that sermon, well, their sermon, everybody that came up here been saying the same thing what I've being sayin', what Reverend Masters been pointin' out., well, Mayor, uh, Bishop Reverend Masters. He has many hats. But, is unity. You know, that we may not be out here standing in unity, as of yet, but all of the words everybody, basically, they., basically, everything compatible right now. Ya know, everything is par'., parallel. If you bring, everyone is bringing up the same points whether it's on the west or the mainland., or whether, the east, I'm sorry or either the mainland.

But, you know, we, like I said, I'm still preaching unity. But, that's all I gotta say other than, congratulation, Ms. Hubbard, on your win.

**MS. L. HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**MR. D. BARNETT:** Um, I wish I coulda did more campaigning but God had it worked out. When it's his destiny, it's his destiny. And I'm just excited because, you know, I was waitin' for that election because there's so much I feel like God has given me and I'm really fittin' to start pushing the issue and feel like I can take off now. But, I'm satisfied with the change already that's coming from this Board, especially, I won't spoil the surprise but if ya'll go downstairs...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Ah, ah, ah.

**MR. D. BARNETT:** ...ya'll will really see what I'm saying.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Uh-uh. No. No.

**MR. D. BARNETT:** But, happy birthday to a certain individual and the same to rest of ya'll that I missed. But I'm satisfied and I'm happy and I'm looking forward for the progress that we make together, in unity.

And thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Don't forget about your basketball game, right? When is...

**MR. D. BARNETT:** Oh, well...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...when...

**MR. D. BARNETT:** ...like I said, everything'll be out be next week, man. There's so much working on. I'mma be doing the flyers and we locked in a date for June 11<sup>th</sup> at Dan Calloway Complex and it's not just, you know, I have one legion, I'm in [inaudible] as far as the business assistance. Um, this summer, um, I'm gunning for July. I'll be going global with OLA, One Legion's Association. So if you have my full Facebook Page from the publishing to the, um, the fashion designs, everything. My whole base of my start came from what Ms. Dawson's saying is... Oh, I'm glad I thought about that. Um, that 4<sup>th</sup> Street park. Um, that's my park, that's where I started at well before I've been hearing other members in the City seeing the stars in the park. We have been started in in Fire House Park. And I'm talking about generations ago. So, it's a lot that's goin' on and, like I said, we'll be bringing up. But I'd like to, you know, especially see that ground breaking in my neighborhood, at my park, where I coach. Well, it's just a lot. Um, June 11<sup>th</sup> we'll be, like I say, at Dan Calloway. Um, we need the community. Like I was saying, it's my business. I have One Legion's separate. These events that we're coming together partnering with the City, um, we'll be under the hashtag

examples of unity. Any business, resident, organization, I have, you know, the letterheads and everything out before Monday. I'm just running behind far as working and catching up with funds but, whoever wanna participate, it's willin'. It's just, like I said, residents, business... No matter who are, if you can give \$1 or \$1,000, everybody get the same credit and...

[Beep]

**MR. D. BARNETT:** ...you know, everybody on the same wa'..., wave length.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, sir.

**MR. D. BARNETT:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next, Ms. Wary Leonard. And then Willis Williams after Ms. Leonard.

**MS. W. LEONARD:** Good afternoon. Wary Leonard, 1901 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good afternoon.

**MS. W. LEONARD:** Giving honor to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I looked at the Agenda tonight and tonight Mayor and Council have given away \$8,700. I checked the book and all I could see is the money value. I don't see a budget in there. What did you do with the money? One person gave \$1,500 away, one gave \$2,500, one gave \$2,800, \$500, \$1,000 but there's no budget. If your budget and the City came, if a department head came for you in the City and wanted a check for \$5,000, you ask, 'What's the budget?' I don't see a budget. You're not telling me anything. What are you doing with the money except writing a check? We need to know what is happening with the money that you are giving to the community? This is our taxpayer money. Just like the department head have to do a budget, I feel that the Council and Mayor need to do a budget also. So, we'll know where the money going. All you're doing is writing a slate sheet of paper and saying you want this amount of money with no backup information. The public need to know. I looked in the book, so there is no backup in the.., information in there.

So, starting, maybe at the next general meeting or when you wanna give more money away. You need to do a budget so we know who got what money. We don't know where you spent the money at. You coulda wrote the \$2,500 check, \$1,800 check to one individual in there. We don't know. Accountability, it's what we're asking for.

Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Um, may I ask a question?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Go ahead, Ms. Miller-Anderson.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Leonard, you're talking about the Community Benefits?

**MS. W. LEONARD:** Yes. We need, uh, in the book back there it doesn't say...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**MS. W. LEONARD:** ...what you did with anything.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, Ms. Claudene, where is the, um, the backup wasn't in there?

**MS. W. LEONARD:** There is no backup. It just say amount of money that's gonna...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's not out there?

**MS. W. LEONARD:** ...be spent.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Out there?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Ms. Miller-Anderson, the Office of the City Clerk is not responsible for that book that's back there so I don't know what is in it.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Who does that, Mr. Jones?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We pre'.., we prepare the Agenda and the backup is typically added as a part of the Item. And, uh, that backup is loaded up. I think she's asking more specific questions.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I understand.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** About what?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** As to the budgets for...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** The people that's receivin' them.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...the individual receiving...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...funds.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, the budgets...

**MS. W. LEONARD:** The only thing you have in there is who's getting the money.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yeah.

**MS. W. LEONARD:** What organization but you're not saying what they're getting it for.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, we'll do a better job next time...

**MS. W. LEONARD:** I...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...so you have it.

**MS. W. LEONARD:** ...thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. Thank you.  
[Humming]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next, Mr. Willis Williams. And then Ms. Lynn Hubbard.

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Good evening. Willis Williams, Riviera Beach. First of all, let me say thank you to or congratulations to Mrs. Hubbard for winning the election. It was a tough three years trying to make sure Mr. Guyton got in line so he couldn't get in line so he had to get out the door.

[Chuckles]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckles].

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** The other thing is, I didn't wanna beat a dead horse but Ms. Ryan, we need to get Mr. Lozman an address. Just that simple.

[Inaudible audience comments]

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Simply because we're spending my tax dollars trying to fight him to get an address. I don't want my money spent like that. The third thing is, you, as a Board, can instruct Ms. Anthony on what you want to happen with Mrs. Hubbard being sworn in, whether it's in the morning or Friday. You construct her. It don't ha'.., it's not her call. She's not a elected official, she works for you. So you just need to do that. I also wanna say thanks to the residents who came out and supported and voted, whether you voted on one side or the other, thank God you came out.

[Inaudible audience comments]

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Because this is what has to happen in this town.

[Applause]

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** You got to come out and vote. Thank you. Have a good evening.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. That was the end of public comment.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

#### **DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next we will go to discussions by the City Manager.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'd just like to reiterate that we plan to start the budget process on June 13<sup>th</sup> and I'll be distributing a memorandum to the Mayor and Council tomorrow outlining some key dates that we have to meet to be in compliance.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you, Mr. Jones.

#### **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Next, discussion by the, Madam City Attorney.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I don't have anything, Mr. Chair.

#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** City Council Committee reports from anyone.

**UNK:** We don't have any.

#### **STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Next we'll go, um, statements. Let's start off with the Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you. I would like to pursue my line of questioning earlier as it relates to getting Councilwoman Lynn Hubbard Elect sworn in. Mr. Manager, does the Charter., to my understanding, the Charter states that the swearing in should be at the ne'.., at the next regular City Council meeting after the election. Is that a fact?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** It reads the first regular meeting of the City Council following the election.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So this is the first Council meeting following the election. The election was yesterday. Right?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. That wasn't done today. Um, and I do understand, I respect Ms. Anthony for her job and in doing her job and I think that the response is that there's not enough.., she has to have the sufficient time to call the Canvassing Board...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...in, in order make that happen. Is that true?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. I want to digress for one minute and I'll be right back on point. If we wait to June the 1<sup>st</sup>, does Mr. Guyton continue to get paid?

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, he gets paid for this week.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I will defer to the City Clerk, or the City Attorney on answering that question, Mr. Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. I need a...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Because...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible]. Not just Mr. Guyton but his legislative assistant, Ms. Blue, still get paid for the next two weeks. If, if we wait that long. That's my question. Anyone can answer.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** They get paid anyway.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** She gets...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I don't know where Mr. Sherman is...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...paid for this...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...but you get...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ....this week.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** You get paid anyway. The, the Council Members are paid for the time that they served and...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Which was Friday. They get paid this week.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Right. He's, he's going...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...to get paid until the next, um, person is sworn in. That's how it's al'.., to my knowledge, that's how it's always been done.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. But based on the information that she submitted, the answer is no to his question because the Clerk is suggesting that we have a meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> but the next paid pay period after this week will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. So, the swearing will, will happen before.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay. So, what...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. I mean, I mean unless they got paid up until that month... Or you know what, hold on...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. The pay period's in the...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Let me...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...preceding...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible] might be right.

**UNK:** Right.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Saturday prior to the actual receiving of, of compensation.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** The Mayor's right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So if I'm right, I, I need to be clear, I want the audience and the people who are watching, as we say, 'In TV land,' does the.., when is the last day that the legislative aide to Mr. Guyton gets paid as a City employee? Mr. Manager?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** If Mr. Guyton continues to serve and his aide serves at his will, she will continue to get paid until a new Councilperson is...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Sworn in.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...sworn in.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yep.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Alright. Having said that, then that's what...

**UNK:** That's what [inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...what it is, so we are paying for people who..., a person who has been un'..., [stammer] unelected and we're paying for his legislative aide until the swearing in. Hmm. So that begs question to me that we need to expedite the swearing in. Now, my next question to you, Mr. Manager, the Charter [clears throat] says the next regular Council meeting. I don't wanna be repetitive or be redundant, that's this meeting. It didn't happen at this meeting. Does the Charter state that it cannot happen after the, the next regular meeting? Can it not happen in a special meeting called by the Mayor?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Mr. Mayor, I will defer to the...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Attorney.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...Certified Municipal City Clerk who serves as the City's Supervisor of Elections to answer that question for me.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Correct.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Ms. Anthony, yes, ma'am.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Davis and to the elected officials, Mr. Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** [Pause]. Where do I begin? Let me start with where I began earlier when this statement came up. As you are aware, you and your fellow elected officials received an email memo on April 27<sup>th</sup> wherein it laid out the email that I had submitted to Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections inquiring when, what the earliest date would be when the..., the results of the election would be certified. In that memo, you saw her response of May 23<sup>rd</sup>. I advised you all that I had inquired of her if it could be done May 18? And I told you all, at that time, I had not received a response and that the Canvassing Board meeting would be held June 1<sup>st</sup>. Even as of Monday, even as of today, the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections never responded to my inquiry.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible] today?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** She never responded to my email. Now, you all have received a subsequent memo from me and in that memo it states that, "The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections contacted me at 4:35 p.m. this evening." And in that memo, I wrote, "Please be advised that I received a telephone call from Susan Bucher, PBCSOE today stating that", and I put in quote, "They requested that I certify the results of the election day today, election today and that they were going to push for the convening of the Canvassing Board today." This call was received from the SOE at 4:35. Subsequently, an email was received from the SOE office at 5:00 p.m. with a copy of the final results attached. As you are aware, from the April 27, 2015 memo dis'..., distributed to each of you and resubmitted to each of you this morning, I inquired as to whether or not this could be done and I received no response from Ms. Bucher. The Canvassing Board meeting has to be properly advertised and receiving it at a late hour, does not allow proper notification. Although, the SOE granted the request of an individual or individuals, due to advertising requirements, the Canvassing Board meeting will be held as you were previously informed, June 1, 2016 at 5:00 o'clock p.m. and after that time, Councilperson Elect Lynn L. Hubbard will be sworn in as the representative for City Council District 1. That's that.

December 2, 2015, the City Council approved Resolution No. 15915.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on. Mayor, what was your question again? Before we go any further.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** My question is...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Is about the Charter and I'm get'..., I'm, I'm gonna get to that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. I'm, I'm answering the Chair now.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Davis. Please. My question was then and my question is now, does the Mayor have the authority to call a special meeting to get the swearing in done and how much time do you need to properly advertise your Canvassing Board thing?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Mayor?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes, ma'am.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I have reviewed this Charter, a few times.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And I don't see where that is addressed in our Charter.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Well, wonderful. If it's not addressed, then I'm calling a special meeting.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** However, Mr. Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Go ahead. I'm, no [stammer]...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I don't mean to cut you off.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, I'm not...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** In the Resolution...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's fine. Go right ahead.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The Resolution No. 15915, which was adopted on December 2, 2015, in Section 10, it says that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to call the City's Canvassing Board to convene to accept the certified results of said municipal election. Unless there is no scheduled City Council meeting, the meeting shall be scheduled prior to the next regular City Council meeting.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. At this point, I am...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Mr. Chair?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. Just a minute, Ms., Ms. Attorney.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold, hold on. Let, let...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Mr. Chair?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Let's allow him...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...the floor.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...to finish his comments and then...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I, I...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...go to you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...have the floor. I, if I have the authority, which I believe I do, and, um, to call a special meeting, it's still not clear how much time.., it certainly doesn't take two weeks, to properly notice the Canvassing Board. It's a matter of a phone call, it's a matter of a few minutes. But, in addition to whatever the honorable

City Clerk said, I'm prepared to call a special meeting. It does not make any sense to me whatsoever to wait two weeks. It didn't happen tonight and it could've happened, based upon what you said but, because we were not informed...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...by the Supervisor of Election, I get that. But it didn't happen at the regular Council meeting as it could have and should have happened. For whatever reason, it did not happen.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Mayor, I tried.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Stammer].

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And, and I'm not saying you didn't but...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...I have the floor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I need you to respect that at this point. Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mayor. Mayor. Hold on. Just one minute. We're gonna stay in the same tone. You're the Mayor of this City.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You, you have the authority, within your power to do certain things.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** If you choose to make a decision tonight, let's go ahead and do it.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I choose to make a decision tonight to call a special meeting to swear in the candidate who is elected and to, um, elect a Chair and Co-Chair for the City Council.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** When are you gonna do that?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Madam Clerk...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We have a USD meeting tomorrow so.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. I would like to do it before the, before the Utility meeting tomorrow.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What time is that? 5:00 o'clock?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Utility District meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** 4:00 o'clock?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 4:00?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I don't [inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 4:00 o'clock, 4:30? What, what time...?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. Me too.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We need to, to see what the schedule is. Hold on. Yes, Ms... Any'.., anyone want to weigh in? Soon as she looks at the calendar.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Or we can wait 'til after the meeting.

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Yeah. [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So we can remain within...

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** Yeah. 24 hours.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We don't wanna mess with, with this. We can wait [inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 24 hours is what...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Let's not respond to the public. Let's not do that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We're not gonna start that. We're gonna stay in order.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's fine.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright? So, if we can just conduct our business like we normally do in that meeting. And, if you wanna suggest a time after that meeting, then I, I think that'll be ample time.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's just me, Mayor [stammer] because you're the Mayor. So you can make a decision what you wanna make.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I've already stated, I'm calling a special meeting tomorrow. If we have the, uh, if we meet the 24 hour...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** After?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Whatever time it takes. If we...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** After the USD meeting?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I would prefer before. However...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mayor...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...if we don't have the twen'...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...we don't have the time.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I understand. All our commissioners up here, Councilpeople, have jobs.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So we can't suggest to just try to get them to come off their work early to come to a special meeting.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, after.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** With all due respect to everyone on this Board.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So after.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ms. Ryan got other things she has to do on behalf of the City, the Clerk does. I think it's only fair if you do suggest that, that we...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So after.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...have the time afterwards.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I, I'm good. After.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mr. Chair?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** What is not...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on. Real'..., really quick, before we go, outta respect...  
Madam...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Stammer] City...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Pam Ryan? You...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** No. I'm good.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Thank you.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I defer over to the Councilpeople.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Go ahead. Ms. Davis Johnson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I am still unclear as to how much time needs to be noticed.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** It was never answered.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** If you are referring to the convening of the Canvassing Board...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes, ma'am.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 48 hours.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** 48 hours is the time frame?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** You need to give...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...48 hours.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Where is that stated...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...in the Charter?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Do you have it...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Question. Where is that...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ma'..., Mayor? Mayor?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Where does [inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The reason why I say 48 hours because you have had individuals that refer to what the County Canvassing Board does. We don't address that. Okay? And if [pause], [stammer], it's, it's, it's something. And so, in, in an effort to state that fair notice was given, I would say 48 hours because in state statute, when it talks about the Canvassing Board, like, when we convene on election night, it's 48 hours.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay? So, that's why I say 48 hours.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, what statute? I'm sorry. Mr. Chair? I, I mean, I think as long as we have some backup to support what you are saying, I, I think that's what., well, I know that's what I wanna make sure we're doing the right thing. So, I don't want you to just tell us 48 hours cause that's...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Stammer].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...what we think...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Well, as...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...it should be.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...as I stated...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Like, when we convene on election night...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...we have to give a 48-hour notice. So that's where I get the 48 hours, to be...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Does that...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...consi'...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...apply to this type of situation here?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Well, the thing of it, Ms. Miller-Anderson, as I stated, I tried to get, get a response to do this. Everyone thinks that I did not want this to happen tonight, that I was not trying to get a, Canvassing Board meeting done, this evening. But the proof is in the pudding.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Don't worry about what people think. Just do your job.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No. Mr...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Do your job.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Cou'...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Do your job.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Davis? I, I am going to do my job.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** But, you know, it's very disheartening when I try to do what was best for my community. I've lived here. I've lived here and I worked here. And when I saw..., you all need to understand this, when I saw that an election was gonna be held prior to a City Council meeting, I made every effort to try to get a response from the SOE so that we could've had a Canvassing Board meeting this evening. I got no response. And I think that is very unprofessional of the Supervisor of Election because I made the inquiry, Mayor. So, it's not like I was not trying to do my job.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And I doubt that. And I said that.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. [Stammer]...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** So, and as it relates to the 48 hour notice, Ms. Miller-Anderson...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [To another: You had a question, right?]. Before we go there, I wanna make su'...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. I'm waiting...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Gonna wait?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...for her...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...response.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** May I just make a comment.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. We gotta get this question answered first cause I don't want no more confusion. Let's stick on this.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** What is it?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. We're trying to get it answered.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We're just waiting on the answer to the question.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Let, let me..., if you all can continue your conversation while I...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Ms...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...look at this...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ms. Ryan you have the floor now.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I just wanna say this for the record. Um, and, you know, the Council can make a decision, you can make whatever decisions you need but it was Ms. Anthony who was called down to court..., seems like two weeks ago but I think it was just last week, and she's the one who's put under oath and asked these questions.

When Staff tells you what we believe is correct, you don't have to follow our recommendations, um, and we're gonna deal with that issue tomorrow night as well, but you need to understand that., and I'm gonna put this on the record because it is not nice to be called down to court and, um...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, you're suggesting that somebody's getting ready sue?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Oh, I'm not suggesting anything.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, cause I'm just...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** What I'm sugges'...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...trying to find out...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** What I'm...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...what's going on?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...suggesting is, is that, um, issues can be made about what the Supervisor of Elections for this City does.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** We're not talking about Susan Bucher. Um, Reverend Burrs...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...made a very good statement when he said, 'This is your Supervisor of Elections.'

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And, um, I know, you know, Ms. Ward used to always state, she always stated, 'I'm the one who has to go down to the courthouse. I have to make these decisions.' And now I understand...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...I understand why. So, I'm just gonna say this and I'd already had this conversation with the Mayor, what the Charter says is that it's, that the, um, the person is put into place after the general election or after the election. Ms. Anthony reached out because we realized that we were having... And, and that's why the Charter has the, um, the election on the second, the second Tuesday so that by the third Wednesday, all of the work is done and you can just seat 'em. So it's never an

issue. It's an issue this time because we had the election, on a Tuesday and the next meeting was on a Wednesday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** If we had known in advance that there was a possibility for the certification to happen, the whole thing would've been noticed, the Canvassing Board notice would've been out and, um, Ms. Hubbard would've been seated with no issue at all.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** But it says at the, the..., it says [stammer] at the City Council meeting after the election.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** The election is not over until our Canvassing Board certifies the, those re'..., results.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. So, I'm glad you stated...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Ms. Anthony...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...was in court and that question was asked because one party tried to make a issue about that and...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I'm...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...she had to deal with that issue.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I, I understand that.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And the court deferred to her on that issue.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So, if certification..., and I'm just putting this on the record again...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** The Council can do whatever it wants...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...but it will not be said that we did not tell you. Um, but...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Didn't tell us...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I'm tell'... Well, I'm, I'm not done, I'm getting there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, you're gonna tell us...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...something you haven't told us already?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I'm..., yes, I'm almost there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...we got the certification...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Today.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So, no time to call the Ca'.., the Canvassing Board. The Canvassing Board can be called at a special meeting, blah, blah, blah but, the Charter specifically says, 'The person shall be seated at the regular City Council meeting.' And I believe that one of those reasons that it was done, I've heard stories about the '80s and the '90s and how, um, elected officials would come in and make demands.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And so, you know, they have regular meeting for, for some reason.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So, it is Staff's position that it should be at the regular meeting and...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...that's why Ms. Anthony put that in the memo to the Council back in April. And again, that's, that's for the record.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** You all have the authority...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** With...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...to do...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** With...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...whatever you...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** With all due respect...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...think is best.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on. Before we go any further.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, you wanna make sure that it's Staff's position.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, Staff is... Cause I remember in 2000, was that '13, remember when I got elected?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No one... I just happened to be in the audience that night. My family wasn't even here for me to even get sworn in. So, what happened.., that, that wasn't 24 hour notice? So, why.., this isn't any, any different. Oh, it happened to me. I remember. Cause my whole family was lookin' at me.., they saw me on TV standing up, getting sworn in and I had to hear it for a whole 'nother two weeks. Cause I was thinking what you're saying now, at the next meeting, it was gonna happen but it didn't happen at that time. And that happened in 2013. So, here we here now, based on the practices, you know, this City needs healing and that's the intent.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I understand.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, the court, whoever is watching TV now, they need to know that, and Riviera Beach needs to understand that this City needs healing. We need to conduct business, we need to move forward. Okay? We're not breaking any rules or laws here. This Board has the right to make whatever decision it needs to make. You know? If we wanna go ahead and, and appoint somebody and let you all do your job and call a spec'... The Mayor has that right. But we're not gonna hold the City up for a whole 'nother two weeks. And I, and I like what you.., I understood what you were trying to say, trying to do, you were doing what, what you thought. And there was nothing wrong with that either, Ms. Anthony. You know? But I'm.., from my position, as an elected official and I walk through the City, I'm tired of people, 'When are you gonna get someone in office?' I'm sick of hearing that. I'm sick of it. And that's just me. And this is nothing about what you're doing, you all are doing. You're doing your jobs and that's cool. But, I'm saying is, when I walk through the community, people, like, coming tonight, they wanna see us do what we need to do, move forward and if somebody wanna make a decision for whatever reason, go to court, they have that right. But, whatever judge, if this happens, that judge needs to know the intent of this Board.

Now, I can speak only as an individual. My own.., as an individual is, understanding that in 2013, it happened the very next day. And, the City moved forward. We didn't keep lingering around for two weeks, conversation, hear stuff coming to the microphone. We need to focus on conducting business. You know? And, and it seemed to me that Ms. Hubbard family came here the same way, the opposite way I came. I came by myself. At least they showed up but my folks didn't know. You know? They was, they was in limbo. They're waiting, they're waiting. So, I'm just talking to this Board, you know, not, you know, directly to you and we just wanna focus on the intent. The, the intent, let's stick on that. Let's get that on record, the intent. The intent is to put this City so they can move forward.

But, the Mayor, if he wanna call a special meeting, whether the Board, whatever they wanna do, they have that right, to call a special meeting in ample time so people, so people can come out. They might wanna celebrate with Ms. Hubbard and her family, they, they might wanna come and talk good or bad but it needs to happen. Because, when we come back to the next meeting, regular meeting that we're discussing, we need to come back on.., with a, with a full Board, ready to do, conduct some business.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Absolutely.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We got some things that were very important. We got this half.., this one cent sales tax is coming back. We don't need to be... [Pause]. Let's just focus on what, what we're talking about now. That's all that's important is that we do what we need to do.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Chairman?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Go ahead. I know, Ms...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm calling...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson had the.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Oh, okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ... floor next

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm still calling the...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And then we'll go back to you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And I have the, the state statute that I...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** To answer that question. Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...was referring to.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I'll defer for that.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay. If you look at state statute Chapter 102, Section 102.141.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Wait. What was that? 102 what?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 102.....

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 102...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...141?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...141.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** .141.

[Pause]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And I'm trying to make sure I read this right. Parenth 2. And if you have pulled it up, I'm not for certain, but if you go down to line 1, 2, 3...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Could you make a copy...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...4, 5.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...for us all?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Just read it off.

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS DAVIS:** Read it for us please.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah. Just read it.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Just read it to us, just read it off for us.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay. It's, it reads, "Public notice of the time and place of which the County Canvassing Board shall meet to canvas absentee elective's ballot and provisional ballot shall be given at least 48 hours prior thereto by publication on the Supervisor of Election's website and once, and one.., and once and one or more newspapers of general circulation in the County or, if there is no newspaper of general circulation in the county, by posting such notice in at least four conspicuous places in the county as soon as...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And that's...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Can I ask a question?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...where I, that's where...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible] 48 hours.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...I get the 48 hours. Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, I just wanted... I know before it was an issue as to whether or not we were following what this stated in terms of the county. Don't we have the home rule, if we don't have anything that applies to that? I mean, I, I'm...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Madam Chair. The election code..., Mr. Chair, applies unless you have a...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Some...

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** ...section in your Charter that deals with the issue.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** That's what that..., and that was that case that I talked about before.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** That, that our Code dealt with the issue.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** So, the state statute did not apply.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, does, does that issue...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...does that Code address if I go to the Mayor, uh, that does address special election?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The 48 hours, you mean?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Before that address... Well, that's, that's fair. I mean, you know.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 48 hours.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mr. Chair?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** What is...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** The, the Mayor had his hand up.

[Inaudible comments]

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No. I, I deferred. So, if it's 48 hours, certainly we can provide the sufficient notice.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Right.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Here's my concern. As a Council and as a City, I understand that we want to heal but we are beginning to travel down a very slippery slope changing policies, changing procedures midstream at every whim. So, I believe... And, congratulations, Ms. Hubbard, on your win. I want to make sure, and I've said this since I've been here, we need to make sure that we are following our process. And if it is a 48-hour notice, the Canvassing Board convenes, certify the results, swear in Ms. Hubbard.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I, and I believe that that will help us to be prepared and ready for the next meeting where we have major issues coming aboard that we need to address as a body and that provides, um, our Cou'..., our Councilwoman Elect with an opportunity to review the documents that are going to be coming forth so that she can be prepared. We don't wanna put her at position where she may not be.

So, I would make a motion that we, we provide the notice, as provided by our Supervisor of Election...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...and move forward in that vein.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, 48 hours would be when...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Friday?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** At..., what time would you prefer?

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Friday night?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Gonna be 48 hours.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So then that would mean that would mean that we could convene on Monday? Would that not mean that we would convene on Monday?

[Inaudible background comments]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** What's the pleasure of the Board? If you want a full 48 hours, Thursday, Friday, that would really mean Monday.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Monday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, I don't have a problem with Monday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Not a problem.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** As, as I would had...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** It's more than 48 hours.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...the floor previously, I wanted to call a special meeting and if the Ms. Tonya takes a lead on that, that's great. As long as it's done. And I think in the..., and, and the reason why it is in the..., we have waited too long for this. We've had a recount, we've had a tie vote, we've had a person sittin' up here that the Council had problems with, we've cancelled, postponed meetings. It's time to make it happen and it's time to make it happen within 48 hours. I think for not to make it happen, would put, would be an imposition to the City. And I wanna put that on the record.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** In the best interest of the City, is this...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Is there a mo'...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...to happen. Monday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Is there a second on that motion yet?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I made the motion.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Do we have a second on the motion? Do we have a second for discussion? Um, what time Monday? 6:00.

**UNK:** 6:00 is good.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** What's good?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Stammer]...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I know you're coming [inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well, we have to con'...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Um, I..., okay. I, I, I need some clarification here. Is your motion to call the Canvassing Board meeting on Monday?

[Inaudible background comments]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay. Cause understand this...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Understand this. Okay? [Pause]. Even if she gets sworn in., we can do., if you wanna do it all, whatever the pleasure of the Board is.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Is fine. But to make it official, your Canvassing Board has to accept those results.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Anthony, I think that's what...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's what we're saying.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...they are...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...they are talking about.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** But she just...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** May, may...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...said a meeting.

[Inaudible discussion]

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Can I, can I, can I...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** She, she said...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...clarify my motion?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. She's clarifying.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...[stammer]. So, you're saying a Canvassing Board meeting?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I, I am ask'...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I am saying let's, let's provide the, the 48-hour notice to convene the Canvassing Board so that we may review and certify the results.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And then the swearing in takes place.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So is 6:00 o'clock okay?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Whatever is, whatever...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I know you...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...is the pleasure of the Board.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I know you travel...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What is the proper way...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...so I wanna make sure that time...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...to do it?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...is good.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Whatever...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** That is the proper way? Madam, Ms. Ryan. Can you help us out here?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** With what part?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Tonya.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** She's trying to make a motion. We just wanna say a motion...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** My motion's made.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...so we can go.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Sh'.., she's clarified it with what she wanted as far as the Canvassing Board and certifying.., meeting and certifying. That's, you know, they come meet, they certify the votes...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It, I mean...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...to get sworn in.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It didn't seem like everybody was clear though.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** What time?

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Give me a time.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Wanna start [inaudible]...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I don't think it's a joke.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** This is very serious.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Don't...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I'm sorry. [Stammer].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Listen, don't, don't...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I'm comm'...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Best not respond to the audience. You're okay. We, we're gonna do this...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** What time?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, did I hear 6:00? Is that what I heard? Did I hear someone say...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** We have a USD meeting, correct?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. That's...

**UNK:** Tomorrow.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...on, that's...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's tomorrow.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...tomorrow.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's tomorrow?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** So, on Monday.., let me just look. I believe 6:00 will be fine.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And, and while you're checking that, um, when is the next CRA meeting, Mr. Chairman?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** June.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, I had, I had offered, um, a motion but it was making a special meeting and now that it'll just be a regular Council meeting, um, that we oughta get a Chair, that night. Because if we don't, then...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We roll over.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...then we're going into another...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...meeting. So, I, I want.., I would like for the maker of the motion or someone to amend that to include that the...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, we can just add that to the, to...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** To the Agenda?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...the Agenda.

**MAYOR MASTER:** At that time?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And we agreed that what's..., we agreed back on, I believe it was April 6<sup>th</sup>, that as soon as the full Council was seated...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We would [inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...we would vote to elect our Chair and Pro Tem.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Correct.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And so, 6:00 p.m. I'm, I'm good at 6:00, are you good at 6:00?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I'm good with 6:00. Mayor?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm good with whenever'..., whenever ya'll say. Let's just do it.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And make it happen.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. So, we have a, we have a second on that motion?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Clerk.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Did they hear you? Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay. And I need to announce that, um, Deputy City Clerk Jacqueline Burgess will not be in attendance at the Canvassing Board meeting as she's scheduled to be out. Um, so, Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

[Pause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You're calling...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Calling for the vote.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Didn't ya'll, you asked me to call for the vote?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Huh?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** She's calling for the vote.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But the vote for what? To say that sh'...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The motion that was made by...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** For Monday.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...um...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, I thought you were asking me was I gonna take Jackie's place or something.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No, ma'am.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** You, you...  
[Laughter]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No, ma'am. I was just announcing that...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...it would...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So we'll still be okay with the...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We have an alternate, right?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...Canvassing Board without her being there?

**UNK:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** You..., we have..., I provided my Canvassing Board Members, uh, an opinion today that was provided by the Division of Elections stating that as long as there is a majority of the Members present...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

[Inaudible background whispering]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So that would be the...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You gave that to me? Who did you give, who did you give that to?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** The Canvassing Board.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** The Canvassing Board?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, we would have a majority.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But, I mean, I didn't know that though, right?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Excuse me. Hold it.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** For now?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Let's, let's, let's stick in order. Madam... Hold on. Hold on.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Clerk. Let's find out. Who are the Members first?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Let's talk about that.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The Members that were appointed as the Canvassing Board mee'..., meeting, uh, the Canvassing Board is your City Clerk, your Deputy City Clerk and Councilperson Davis Johnson. That is it.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Are there any alternates pending someone can't be there?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** But as the Supervisor of Election..., and this is going down a [chuckle] a slippery slope...

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean, can you all just explain to [inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Listen, we just need to get...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Listen...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on, hold on, hold on.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** She, she, Ms...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** There's a motion on the floor.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Ms. Ryan...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** If Ms. Ryan got something she say, she need to...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...get into the microphone.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Hold on.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on, hold on, hold on.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on. With all due respect, if the City Attorney has something to say, she needs to say it for the record, into the microphone.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I was asking her a question.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Right. Ask the question...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...into the mic, please.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And the question was, was there an alternate?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And what I was about to..., I had to make sure...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That it's okay..., cause as I was about to tell you, as the Supervisor of Elections, I can appoint another Member.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Whether or not they called get called into question, well, guess we'll have to see. So, at this particular time, being that the Deputy City Clerk will not be available to attend the meeting, then I'm gonna appoint one of my Staff members and that will be my next-in-charge person, Ms. Tawanna Smith.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** She's not already a part of it?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No? I thought she... She isn't, she was not a part of that last group that you sent out, once you selected [inaudible]...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I sent it out if, um, if Ms. Councilperson Davis Johnson was not gonna be available, then she would be...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And then she would've stepped in?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...then she would've stepped in.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That's correct.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** See?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. You...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** As you all can understand, I tried to cover [chuckle] all bases.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I'm, I get that.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We're good.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I just need to...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...know what's the right thing to do.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Uh, so...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** That's all.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I will be.., Ms., um, Ms. Tawanna Smith will be the, the.., is appointed to the Canvassing Board.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. You can call the question now.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Call the question now.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But can it... One second. Let me, let me... I, I'm really feeling like we're not getting clear answers here. Um, we're trying to operate within the law, within...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Right.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...the rules, so if you are hesitant about something, I need to know what it is and why.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Well, Ms. Miller-Anderson, what I'm concerned about is that I'm looking at who was sitting there. As, cause as you know, the, the question was always with the March 29<sup>th</sup>, who was the Canvassing Board, okay?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** As you are aware, like, when it came down to the recount, I got called while I was on road. I had to immediately, um, appoint someone.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And so then, when it came down to was to accept the results, it was who, who sits. So, as a precautionary measure, I had Ms. Smith to sit up here with us.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay? And so, that's where I'm hesitant at. But, we're in the Sunshine...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I'm making the announcement.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Now. Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Now.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, we're good.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** So...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We're good.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I feel co'..., comfortable.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Good.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I mean, that, that's, that's what my...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...reservation was.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Mr. Chair, I have a question. Just for clarification.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes, sir.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Will this be one meeting for the Canvassing Board and then a special meeting for the swearing in or it will be one continuous meeting?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** One continu'... Um. [Pause]. Yes, that a good question to the Clerk. How would...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** It's two separate Boards.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, we need to make a...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And, um...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...separate motion?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yeah.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...I need to also advise you all that we have an audit meeting, we have an audit that will be taking place on Friday at 3:30 p.m. [Pause]. So, it will have to be.., you all will have to call a, you know, we call.., right now, the motion is for the Canvassing Board meeting.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And then another motion will need to be done to call the City Council meeting.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Can someone give us a motion...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** On the swearing in.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...[inaudible]?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** But we need the f..., the motion on the..., is on the floor...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...for the Canvassing Board.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Let's, well let's go ahead and clear that. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay. Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Now we need [inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Now, do we have a motion on the floor to call a special meeting after the, um, [pause]...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We can call it right there after...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. After the, um...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Immediately after.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yeah. Immediately...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Immediately after, sir.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Immediately after.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** On Monday.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Immediately after the, uh...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** What's this?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Canvassing.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Canvassing Board.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Do we have a motion on the floor? Any of the Board Members?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes. I motion that we...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...we have our meeting for the oath of office, City Clerk request the nominations, newly elected City Council Chair and then the Mayor Comments. I mean, this is not our first time doing a Canvassing Board or meeting to swear people in. We just did it April 6<sup>th</sup>. Why are we sitting here acting like we don't know...

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...how to put the Agenda in order?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean, we're...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I understand.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean, can we...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Hold on. Let's get a second...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...can we really...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...for question.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** There's a second on the floor. Any questions or comments? For any...

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...of the Board Members? Any question or comments from Board Member? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MR. W. WILLIAMS:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, so, 6:00 o'clock. Can you please state for the record...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Monday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...when the meeting is? 6:00 o'clock Monday? Is the Canvassing Board?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The Canvassing Board meeting will be held on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 o'clock p.m. Immediately following will be the special city Council meeting where the swearing in of Councilperson Elect Lynn L. Hubbard will be done and, at that time, you all will select a Chair and a...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Chair Pro Tem.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We'll follow the Agenda from April 6<sup>th</sup>, the same format we had twice?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. That', that's good. There we go. Now, the Mayor had a chance to make his comments. Madam, uh, Councilwoman Anderson, you have any comments before we adjourn this meeting?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. Just.., you had any more?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. He's already stated his.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, no. I do.., let me just say this. I'm, I'm done but the young lady that was from the, uh, the school, in the purple back there. I do, I'm hoping that at the end the Chair will give you a minute to kind of close this meeting with a wonderful little poem that you have since you're a great orator. That will be a great way of healing. Maybe I'll rise again [inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** No. We can do one better. If she would like to, we would like to make her a part of the ceremony. Would you mind?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You're not prepared for that?

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** I don't mind.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. That's even better.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We'll do it at the ceremony.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You can do...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...whatever you wanna do.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright.

**MS. A. GRAHAM:** Okay. I'll [inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Ms. Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. I'll be quick. I just wanted to thank the voters for coming out on yesterday. I know it was po'.., possibly a challenge for some people because of the weather. I know people like me are scared of the thunder and lightning but, um, we made it out there and I'm, I'm very, very happy with everyone coming out to vote.

I just wanted to ask a questions, Mr. Jones. In regards to the formatting of our additions and deletions for this particular meeting, I think it was very confusing for many of us tonight. I, I mean, typically we would have, like, one sheet that has all of the numbers and everything on here. I mean, we had two different Agendas and we're trying to flip through and we skipped over stuff and got a little confused.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Why did we change?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...understand, Ma'...[clears throat]. In an effort to have the Agenda totally published to the public...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...we tried to enact a feature in the Novus system for add and deletes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** And, um...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I'm so [inaudible]...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Unfortunately, that's currently how it's set up...

[Inaudible audience]

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...to produce the Agenda. So we'll work to eliminate some of the confusion but if you will recall in previous meetings, you receive a paper document.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** And that document is not published...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And I...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...to our...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...I mean...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...website...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...I would...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...for the public...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...like for it to be published but [stammer] it gotta be a better way.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Cause...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** So, we're working with...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...I think that we were all confused.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** We're working with the Novus company to have, uh, the continuous, continuation of numbering even though it's on Consent.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** I'm sorry even though it's on, uh...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** On, on...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...add, delete.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...the Agenda. Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And, and we mentioned about the retreat, possibly doing a retreat. How., what do we need to try to get that into motion?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Well, if you wanted to have a consensus of the Council tonight...

**UNK AUDIENCE:** No.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** To...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...to give...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...but we don't know...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...Staff the direction...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...a date. I don't wanna...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We'll talk about it next meeting, regular meeting.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** That'll be fair.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** But...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...in the meantime, we'll start looking at some dates, times and places.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Makes sense.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And then I also just wanted to put it back out there again. I know I've, I've mentioned it several times since I've been on the Board in regards to having us do, have a, an Agenda review, um, prior to our meetings. So, I will like to just make sure I put that out there for people to think about possibly...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...having a Agenda review meeting and then we can have our regular Board meeting.

[Inaudible background comment]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And that's it. Thank you.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** May I...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Thank you, Mr. Chair.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Are, are you..., with regards to an Agenda review, are you talking about a full Board Agenda review?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We can discuss it. If...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I mean, there are several different ways [inaudible] Sunshine.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I, I, I think that we had those in the past and it was tantamount to having a full-fledged meeting during Agenda review.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And that seems to be a little counterproductive. But what I would suggest is that, as individual Councilpeople, we schedule a day and a specific time to address those departments that are on the Agenda for review.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, I've heard of it going two ways. I've heard of other municipalities that have Agenda review, would get all our questions so when we have our next meeting...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...we're done. We, we vote and that's it. I do know about the fact that you can meet with individual people and I think I've said it before, sometimes I don't always get the answer that will be the answer when we get to the meeting. So, from my experiences, the truth for me always come out during the meeting because it's on record. What I've been told sometimes in, behind closed doors, aren't always the exact things that's told. So that's why I asked. I mean, we can vote on it. If we wanna do it, we can. If not, we won't do it.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay. I just wanted to make a request of you, Mr. City Manager. Would you please provide me with a listing of all of the Board appointments for the District 3?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I'd just like to see the names and, and the Boards that are current, that currently have representation.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Will do.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** For District 3. [Pause]. And then, finally, there is...

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Excuse me, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Would you li'..., that information will be provided to the entire Council, based on your...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Absolutely.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...previ'... Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's absolutely fine.  
[Chuckles]

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I, I am...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Absolutely fine.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...I'm, I am, I want to be transparent in that regard and I., and it's a wonderful thing for them all to have it.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Can I just., you know, we're gonna have probably another Councilperson that is new coming up, so, probably best that you get all of 'em.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So, we can all know where we all are.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So we can move together. That'd be fair.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** That was my plan.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yeah. Thank you, Mr. Jones.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** And I also wanted to take a moment to recognize our fire fighters. I was in a Board of County Commission meeting and there was some acknowledgment of fire fighters in an organization. Are you from fire? What's that called?

**UNK:** I don't understand your question.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** There was, there was an event that was held where recognition was given at that county level. If you don't mind...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Just come to the mic.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I just wanted to make sure that we were acknowledging the work of our first responders because there was a, an

acknowledgement publically at the County Commission meeting and so I wanted to be sure that we address our, our first responders here and to say to you how proud we are of the work that you do, fire related and your community and your community activities. So, kudos to you all. Kudos for the recognition on the county level but certainly we want to recognize our own.

**UNK:** Thank you very much.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. Will that be all, Ms. Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's it.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Um...

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Oh. And happy birthday to me.  
[Inaudible comments]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Well, happy birthday.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Wait a minute. Hold on. [Singing Happy Birthday to You]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I can't compete with that.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You're trying to get a singing contract.  
[Chuckles].

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Alright. Any other questions? Meeting adjourned.

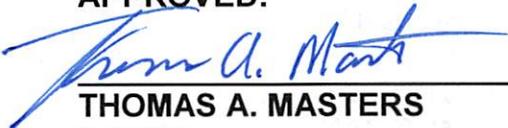
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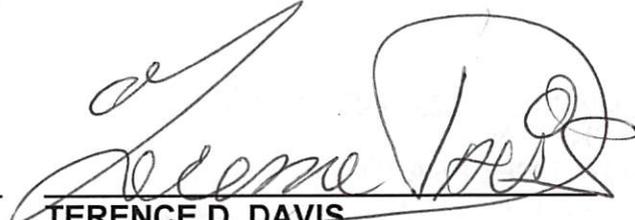
**There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:34 p.m.**

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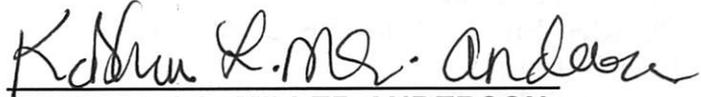
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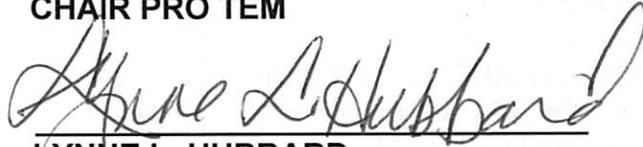
  
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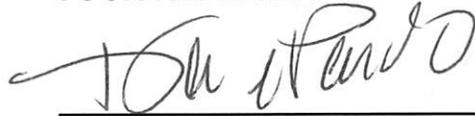
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